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The WASHINGTON SCENE

By George Dixon

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WASHINGTON, May 4—After shopping around, trying to find a trap large enough and classy enough, Attorney General Tom annual birthday party for President Truman is going to throw his big dent Truman Saturday night in a museum.

As previously reported in this splendid pillar of information, the Attorney General had originally reserved the 1925 F Street Club for the Presidential natal whooperoo. But, as political heat caused the guest list to expand, he had to search around for more spacious quarters.

Now it isn't publicized, but there's a museum in this great Capital which the top executives of government may borrow for an evening if they can convince the Board of Trustees the function they are about to use it for is sufficiently. And feeding and feting Mr. Truman is considered of triple-A priority importance.

This elegant repository is known as the Anderson House, having been built by Larz Anderson, former ambassador to Japan and minister to Belgium, who departed this life in March, 1937. His widow presented it to the Sons of the Cincinnati, national patriotic society, which turned it into a museum for revolutionary relics.

It seems only fair that our servants of the people have the use of the place, other than to stare at the old swords, because us taxpayers are carrying some of the freight. Congress passed a law in 1938 exempting it from taxation.

The magnificent mansion—a palace, really—is located at 2118 Massachusetts Ave. N.W., on Embassy Row, in case you are invited there Saturday night and want to tell the bus driver where to let you off.

Some of the irreverent refer to it as the "Plow House" because the Sons of the Cincinnati took the name from the Roman general, Lucius Quintus Cincinnatus, who returned with his plow after fighting victoriously for the Roman Empire, instead of sticking around to be heaped with honors.

If you have been able to apply sufficient pressure upon the Attorney General to wangle an invitation—and you must be practically a Republican if you haven't—here are some of the things you will see after entering the white-marble mausoleum:

A heroic-sized Buddha in the doorway; 15th Century Flemish tapestries; a set of ancient Italian choir stalls; a lacquer and gold box presented by The emperor of Japan (not the current one).

Gold-encrusted uniforms, cloaks and swords; and a collection of hats of the world hung at intervals along the rear staircase. The one Mr. Truman threw in the ring last year has not been added to the collection.

The Shock Was Too Great



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Trivia and Tripe

Hollywood Again

By Bob Sturdivant

Hollywood has done it again! That "Little Women" is without a doubt the number one atrocity to come out of the mill in quite some time. After sitting through two soggy, clinging hours because he "wasn't gonna let that movie get the best of him," Andy Shveda announced plans for an annual Margaret O'Brien Day to be celebrated by dancing in the streets to the music of Johnny Bothwell and his orchestra.

He seems to think Bothwell and O'Brien would merit one another. Frank Moore, Chesterfield representative and imminent contemporary of Tookie Hodgson, took issue with Shveda and defended O'Brien with gallantry. What else could you expect from Moore, though, he's such a boor!

We understand that the Alpha Gams are looking for a low-salaried custodian to keep their swing in good repair. That poor swing must have a hard time; seems to stay broken about half the time. They might also try cutting the grass. It's getting so tall that when someone strays off the beaten path, they have to send out search parties to find the search parties. For this they'll probably make me cut it.

There seems to be some dis-sension in the Tar Heel ranks, between the sports staff and the editorial staff over the briefness of several of the recent editorials. If the condition isn't remedied, Billy Carmichael

threatens to follow the lead of those fearless letter writers and under the sports staff heading put, "names withheld by requests." A member of the other faction keeps wanting to know who this guy Jupiter Pluvius is and why he insists on calling off all the ball games.

We hear that the budding young travel agency of Jim Blanchard and Don Latta is on the rocks after certain escapades this past weekend. It seems that they left for the beach early in the morning, but became separated near Raleigh and didn't see each other again for a couple of days.

Reports have it that one of the partners smelled salt water as far up as our cap. city and didn't deem it necessary, to continue while others maintain that the Carolina Hotel was mistaken for its beach name sake and served as a harbor in the storm. Whatever the reason, the Lambda Chis are taking steps to prevent the recurrence of such a mistake by briefing all members on beach roads before every weekend.

In order to settle the controversy over the KA and Chi Phi fraternity bands (if the latter does have a band. And if not, they should get one; it might prove embarrassing) as to which came first with the bestest, we would like to suggest a contest to be held somewhere far away from Chapel Hill. They make it sort of a field day, but let us know when it happens, so we can head for Montreal.

To The Editor

NC SYMPHONY

Editor:

The North Carolina Symphony Orchestra has established a spirit of deep appreciation for music within this state. For the orchestra to know that their performances bring to people some joy, beauty, inspiration is, no doubt, a source of great comfort and satisfaction to each of them.

One wishes that one could express one's gratitude for the presence of so serious an organization. It is no use fooling anyone; music is a hard profession; few people realizing that even ordinary players in any decent orchestra have studied for years and years.

It is not essential that one be a musician to get out of music all that music can give. There are "amateurs," whose joys are absolute, who are such just because they listen to the music they want when they want, whereas so often professionals, to a certain extent, take a "blase" attitude towards an art that cannot be approached without complete enthusiasm, without complete love.

It is heartening to realize the North Carolina Symphony Orchestra, the very existence of which is living expression of democratic intelligence, refinement, simplicity.

Bryan Bray

In case you haven't heard it here is one of the latest making the rounds: Mary had a little lamb, both are doing as well as can be expected. What drives us to print these things?

Poor Subject For Debate

Student government at the University of North Carolina is steadily spreading its fame throughout the Southern states. Recently, Dean of Students Fred Weaver and former Student Body President Jess Dedmond were called to nearby Elon College to discuss the success of our student government before the student body there.

A week or so later, the students at Elon drew up and approved a new student constitution which is "a replica of the one now in operation at the University of North Carolina", according to a news release. The faculty members have approved the proposed constitution and it is expected that the Elon trustees will approve it at a Board meeting May 30.

Now, Weaver and Dedmond have been invited to the University of Mississippi to discuss student life on the college campus. Dean Weaver will speak on "Student Government Philosophy". The purpose of the meeting is to rework a program in student government, fraternity and sorority life, honor system, housing problems and other forms of student life.

Students at the University here can take pride that our student government has been so successful and effective that other schools are seeking our advice.

It is with a touch of irony, then, that students will read of a proposed debate before the Philanthropic Assembly Monday night for the purpose of debating whether or not student government should be abolished here. One Phi member has been reported as starting that the idea for debate sprang from the action at Elon which abolished their limited government. Before the Phi members plan their debate, they should realize that that argument is a bit ridiculous, since the new Elon government is based on Carolina's.

Check Cashing Problem

Here it is the first of the month and again checks from the Veterans' Administration and home are pouring into the campus. And the usual rush is being made to the "Y" to get those checks cashed in order to pay bills and buy the necessities of college life.

Hundreds of students, who have heavy schedules with classes from nine until one and can't get to the bank, must rely on the check-cashing service at the "Y".

This service is usually very good and, of course, is very convenient. However, the last few days have seen the check-cashing window run out of money several times a day. Some students have been forced to borrow money from friends or other local merchants, who do not as a rule like to cash checks, in order to get a little cash on hand.

If the "Y" check-cashing service would force the big runs on their cash, the window probably wouldn't run out of money as often. As long as people are going to rely on the "Y" and the service continues to be offered, the powers that be should see to it that enough money is drawn each day to cover the checks that are presented.

Reason For It All

It seems that yesterday's editorial criticizing the male students for sloppy dressing and praising the neat attire of the coeds has precipitated considerable comment. The column was designed merely to express the coed viewpoint on the matter of wearing T-shirts, dungarees, not-shaving, and not-combing one's hair for class.

But today, one Y-court wag provided the best retort which the boys have turned up with yet. His laconic answer was, "The women are trying to get married. We ain't!"

Stumping It — Attack On Byrd

By John Stump

Harry F. Byrd, Virginia's senior United States senator was the victim of an undeserved and canine-like attack in the Raleigh News and Observer's edition of Wednesday morning.

Apparently looking for the most odorous name, he could attach to Byrd, the Raleigh rag's editorial writer came up with Republican. The provocation seemed to be the Senator's courageous refusal to be blackmailed by Tom Pendergast's boy Harry, which, to any employee of Harry's friend Jonathan Daniels, must have seemed heresy.

The background of the controversy is this: Our President became incensed a short while ago at the refusal of the Southland's statesmen to rubber stamp his legislative program.

Feeling that he had a mandate from whatever fraction of the minority of the voting citizens of the last election had favored his planned economy and that that mandate compelled him to take orders from Lewis, Petrillo, Murray, Curran, Brieges, and company, Mr. Truman was unable to understand that most of the Congress received its support from the non-Socialist majority of the working people of the country.

Accordingly, he reverted to his Pendergast days and, in one of the most shocking statements made by a President since his predecessor declared his intention to purge Senators Norris, George, and others in 1938, Truman declared that the Southern senators would come into line or receive not one drop of the patronage of the Federal government.

Shortly after this proclamation, Senator Byrd announced that no one including the President of the United States could either buy him off or blackmail him and that he would continue to serve his nation and the people of Virginia not those of Kansas City or New York or wherever President Truman thinks his directors live.

If Josephus Daniels were still living, it is doubtful that the News and Observer would ever have printed such an editorial as the one referred to. However, his son is no Wilsonian Democrat and would seem to be unable to see the difference between the Democratic party and the New Deal.

But regardless of one's stand on the program presented by Mr. Truman to the senate, we do not see how any intelligent Southerner can disagree with Senator Byrd's refusal to cheat his state and its people out of honest and true representation in Washington in return for a cheap political payoff.

Judging from the protests coming from members of the councils and other interested parties, colleague Charles McCorkle fouled up a tad bit his report of the "rumors" surrounding the recent disputed honor case.

Specifically, his statement that any decent court would throw out a case of any of the miscarriages of justice he referred to had occurred was sound. However, the student council did just that by entertaining a motion for a retrial and then re-hearing the case.

Student council chairman Dan Bell has made an attempt to round up the other facts tangled by McCorkle's report of the controversial case. Pending his report, we won't risk continuing the flow of misinformation.

However, we would like to observe in connection with McCorkle's expressed fear that his "rumors" would sour students on the judiciary that it is just such cavalier disregard of the facts as he exhibited which sours the student body on many of student government's operations.

But, in any event, yesterday's news story and Bell's report when it comes out will, we hope, clear the air and unsoar those students who have begun to wonder just what is going on in the councils.

Nat Williams and Andy Cornish were, as this column was being written, preparing a bill to introduce to the Legislature which, if passed, would appropriate about \$4,000 to the student activities office for book-keeping machinery.

Although this is a large appropriation, it is hard to question its merits. It will lighten the load on Mr. Kear and his associates in the Activities fund office and lessen the chance of financial mix-ups.



Beerology Class Tonight — at HARRY'S



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 - 20. pierces
 - 21. grape
 - 22. poker stake
 - 23. person deceased
 - 26. hit with open hand
 - 30. grow old
 - 31. more rational
 - 33. palm leaf (var.)
 - 34. bog (Scott.)
 - 36. makes less dense
 - 38. snares
 - 40. river island
 - 41. Flathead Indian
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 - 2. Negritos
 - 2. crippled
 - 3. yields
 - 4. endeavor
 - 5. conflagration
 - 6. American humorist
 - 7. sorrower for sin
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 - 9. rabbit
 - 10. the maple
 - 11. marries
 - 17. insect
 - 18. youths
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 - 29. dance step
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