

Kidd Brewer's "RALEIGH ROUNDUP"

STREET SCENE . . . People who have visited the State Museum here—and it is about the most popular point in Raleigh for out-of-towners—can get a good picture of recently changed plans for the handsome new Legislative Building.

Until the committee actually got down to selecting sites for the building a month ago, a half-dozen locations had been suggested. Now it looks as if the structure will go to none of these.

About one block north of the State Museum on Halifax Street—and smack dab in the middle of the street—seems to be the site now in the forefront. If the place is selected, the street of course would go around either side of the Legislative Building—much as do the highways around courthouses at Pittsboro, Whiteville, and at several other locations in the State.

Plans for converting the two blocks south of the Capitol on Fayetteville Street into a mall are still being discussed—and you can look for a street-park of some type on the two blocks running north of the Capitol to the Legislative Building.

That is the way the new center-of-Raleigh on the governmental front shapes up at this time. It will be architecturally sound, unique, and beautiful.

WHILE HE'S GONE . . . With the Governor, his secretary Ed Rankin, and several other top administration officials in Europe during a large portion of November on an industry-hunting trip, what would happen if something went seriously askew here in North Carolina in their absence?

Well, of course nothing is said about it, but it is tacitly understood that Lt. Gov. Luther Barnhardt of Concord has been given full power to act in emergency in the Governor's absence.

You will note—if you think back upon it—that Luther Hodges and his Lieutenant Governor are never out of the State at the same time. When one is away, the other is always here.

Before taking action in an emergency—such as a race riot that occurred in Winston-Salem when Governor Bickett was out of the State 40 years ago—Lt. Gov. Barn-

hardt would be expected to confer with Gen. Capus Waynick, head of the National Guard in this State.

Another interesting point about the Governor's European absence: In the entire trip, he is never expected to be more than 18 hours from the big old rambling Mansion here on Blount Street.

And that is a tribute to modern aviation.

PERSONAL LOSS . . . Tom Davis, head of Piedmont Airlines and whose aunt, Mrs. Wilbur Bunn, incidentally, lives next door to the Governor's Mansion here, would have been deeply pleased at the interest in his company and its lost plane expressed in Raleigh last Saturday.

Raleigh loves Eastern, which provides almost hourly flights north or south from here and Durham—but it loves like a kissing cousin Piedmont and the Davis family of Security Life and Trust Co., so much a part of it. Piedmont planes are so much a part of North Carolina.

One of our friends standing at the corner of Fayetteville and Hargett Streets here—the center of downtown Raleigh—said that passerby conversation Saturday afternoon was about the Piedmont plane down in Virginia. Sympathy for the company operating it as much as for the crew and passengers was expressed in the bits of talk heard.

No company has a better safety record than Piedmont—and it daily flies over and through some of the

OTHER EDITORS SAY--

HOW RATHER THAN WHERE

The U. S. Budget Bureau recently released a chart showing where the tax dollar came from and where the tax dollar was spent.

Quite a few million know where the tax dollar came from and are impressed day by day how it comes, but they don't seem to know too much about how it is spent. Many want to know something about the "How" of spending.

Of course there is a definite trend to funnel the big money into the hands of the few, a practice common to the Republican Party since its inception.

The chart says that 58 cents of each dollar goes for: major national security, military, military assistance, atomic energy and stockpiling. Twelve cents goes for interest, eight for agriculture, six

for veterans and sixteen cents for all others.

There are more sins covered under major national security than could be packed under a circus tent. Greed, within-the-law stealing and other questionable practices are the order of the day with what appears to be a fairly sizable group of conniving scoundrels.

Under National Security, they call surpluses of metals and other materials, stockpiling. In agriculture, stockpiling, if you please, is called surplus and is painted as a red-bearded devil who so many are told is costing the taxpayers more money than everything and every-

rough terrain in Eastern America. One doesn't think of flying "through" terrain, but what word better expresses it when your plane is zooming between mountain peaks?

NOTES . . . Fayetteville, home of the new Methodist College, is dragging its feet on contributions. Frank Jeter, Jr., executive secretary of the Foundation, has sent out a worried letter which says in part: "Up to now, people in this area have paid slightly over half the money they pledged, leaving us with a 1959 deficit of almost \$500,000. Meanwhile, people of the Methodist Conference of N. C. are paying on time. You might say they are doing more to give us a college than we are doing for ourselves . . ."

body else in Washington are costing. In short the big boys are sharing liberally in the 58 cents, plus 12 cents in interest and bellyaching about the crumbs dropped on the floor for agriculture.

That's roughly the budget picture, but the picture behind the budget stands out in bold relief in such moves in the administration to lower farm commodity prices, raise interest rates, clean out the pockets of the many little folks and put everything into the pockets of the few.

The rascals should be chased out of Washington right now. A year from now could be too late.

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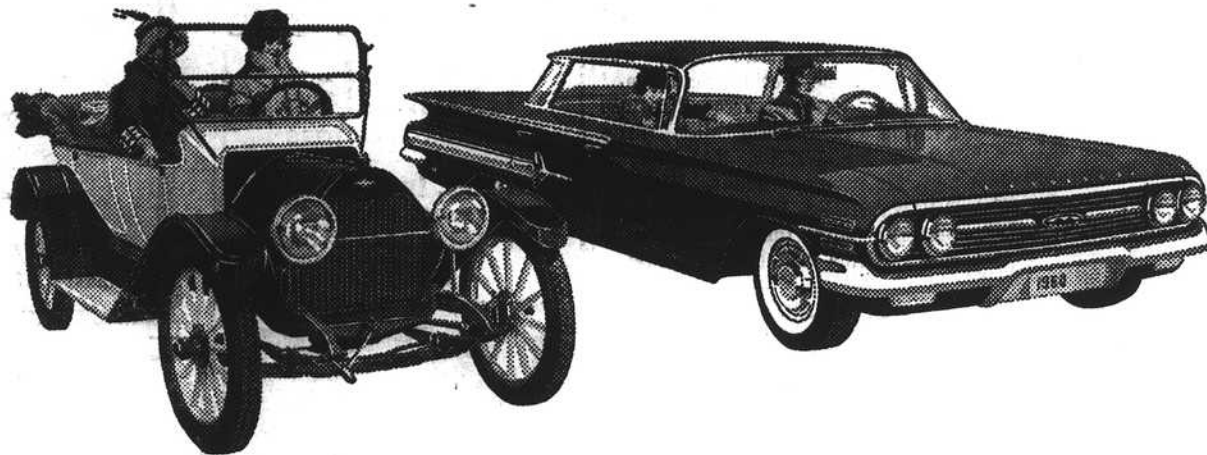
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