

# Kidd Brewer's "RALEIGH ROUNDUP"

**POLITICAL CHAIRS . . .** Raleigh has taken on a festive mood, with the Legislature in town. So far, everyone is happy.

Things will be different when the fight really gets hot, on who is to pay for the "goodies". On one point which most observers agree there will be more money spent for more lobbyists in this Legislature than any in history.

Various interests have secured the best help they can get, to see that they are not the ones to pay the increase in taxes.

"I believe the North Carolina Motor Carriers do the best job of lobbying", is the way one experienced legislator put it; "They make it tough to legislate against them." "Their folks are so nice, that it makes you feel that to do anything against them, would be like striking your own mother." That is quite a compliment to a very effective organization!

**FRIENDSHIP . . .** There seems to be a great deal of sentiment for Commissioner of Insurance, Charles Gold, to run for Governor in 1964. The insurance companies would probably contribute heavily to his campaign. They have not fared well at all in securing what they consider sufficient rates under Commissioner Gold. Reminds us of a remark made by Henry Jordan, who was considering running for Governor several years ago — "Some of my friends . . . and I suspect a lot of my enemies, have been encouraging me to run."

**INS & OUTS . . .** There are a lot of new faces showing up in the various state offices in Raleigh—and there will be a lot more as supporters of Governor Sanford take over. Reminds us of the saying contributed to former Adjutant General Capus Waynick, "There are only two political groups; The

'Ins' and the 'Outs'."

**DOG TRACKS . . .** Don't be surprised to see the proposition revised in the latter stages of the legislature to permit the reopening of the dog racing track near Morehead City. Every possible source of money to carry on Governor Sanford's recommended programs will be looked into—and legal dog racing will probably be proposed again. Florida has used the "easy method" of securing money through both dog racing and horse racing for many years.

**ROUGH SLEDDING . . .** In looking over the members of this legislature, it appears that the present session has in it more than the usual number of strong and able men. Some one put it this way, "It is going to be difficult to herd this group down the wrong road." No doubt, there will be more organized "grass roots" support for the Governor's educational program than there has been for any legislation in a long time . . . and one gets the feeling, even at this stage, that it is going to take all of the doing possible to put it across.

Mind you — every one is for it — but no one wants to pay for it. The old saying: "What you get for nothing is about worth what you pay for it" may be true . . . but it is just human nature to try to pass

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# The Veterans Corner

**Q—**Is it necessary that a Korean veteran receive vocational counseling from VA before he begins vocational rehabilitation training under Public Law 864?

**A—**Yes. The law requires that disabled veterans desiring training under the vocational rehabilitation act receive this counseling to determine the need for this training to overcome their handicap, and in order to help the veteran in choosing a program best suited to him.

**Q—**A non-veteran friend and I want to go into business. As a Korean veteran, am I entitled to a GI loan on this partnership business?

**A—**Yes, if otherwise eligible.

the buck, when it comes to paying the bills.

**TOUGH . . .** There are rumors that William Copeland, Governor Sanford's legislative council, is finding it difficult to sell many of his old friends among the "Conservative" members of the legislature, on the "Liberal" program of his new boss. More on this later.

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But, the amount of the loan on which VA's guaranty is based will be in proportion to your own interest in the loan, and will not cover any portion of the loan constituting the non-veteran's contribution to the business.

**Q—**As a "peacetime veteran," am I eligible for VA hospitalization?

**A—**Only under these two conditions: (1) If you were discharged under other than dishonorable con-

ditions for a disability incurred in line of duty, or (2) if you are receiving compensation for a service-connected or service-aggravated disability or disease.

**Q—**My World War II GI insurance policy, on the endowment plan, matures soon. May I receive the proceeds of the policy in monthly installments for the rest of my life?

**A—**No. You may choose one of two payment plans: (1) lump sum, or (2) equal monthly payments ranging from 36 to 240 installments, in multiples of 12.

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