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Man's Rights

They're Still Fought Over After 152 Years... This is Bill of Rights Week in the United States. On Dec. 15, 1791, the Bill of Rights became a vital part of American law...

be the man, in my opinion, and I can promise you good cooperation from that quarter if you think it will be helpful.

The explanation of the letter was that the White House thought and hoped Willie would run in 1944, that Willie is willing to string along with the New Deal in the South, and that Hopkins is left sitting pretty whether Roosevelt or Willie is President. The one hitch is that Dr. Lee denies knowing Hopkins, or having corresponded with him in any way, or of having any interest in Texas or national politics.

Comeback

We're Holding Our Own, At Least In The Hills... Is rugged individualism dead? Is the old Southern independence, fierce and uncompromising, on the way out? Is the tradition of inviolable individual rights in independent Dixie a thing of the past? Does the race deteriorate? The thundering answer is in the negative, and we offer indisputable evidence therefore:

- 1. Southern railroads defy the President's Committee on Fair Employment Practices, declaring that the agency exceeded its authority in ordering more opportunities of employment and advancement for Negroes. (Senator Rankin of Mississippi branded FEPC as a "tramp organization" needing stirring racial tension in the South.)
- 2. Western Electric's Baltimore plant workers were ordered back to work after a protest strike against common use of facilities by Negro and white.
- 3. The CIO in Winston-Salem was charged with intimidation of employees in an attempt to unionize a tobacco plant.
- 4. Red-baiting Congressmen sought to investigate OWI in search of Communists.
- 5. A national poll approved General Patton's act of striking a hospitalized soldier, and thought the affair self-justified.
- 6. A faculty strike vote was approved involving 80,000 workers in the Carolinas.
- 7. In California, 18 Negroes sought an injunction to prevent them being ousted from their jobs for their refusal to join an auxiliary union.
- 8. The Constitutional guarantees, you see, do not end the struggles at all. They are the inevitable burden of mankind.

Willkie How

Sincere Campaign Found Based On Untruths... This Stop-Willkie campaign, which we believe is doomed to failure, is now branded as a complete hoax. It is an important part of the campaign appears to be a book, "One Man—Wendell Willkie," written by ex-Mr. C. Nelson Sparks of Akron, Ohio. The book reports on the method by which Willkie grabbed the 1940 Presidential nomination. Proof rests on an exchange of correspondence between Harry Hopkins and Dr. Humphrey Lee, President of Southern Methodist University in Dallas.

What you say is true, Sherman. And now some of the darker oracles are saying the same thing of peace.

The Soldiers

They Are Most Likely To Vote As They Shout... We do not intend to compare this war with the Civil War, but in the matter of soldier-voters the two wars are of a similar nature. The election of 1864 was the last in which large numbers of soldiers voted (elections did not come up in the Spanish-American War or the First World War) and the results are interesting in view of present speculation over possible difference of political opinion between soldiers and civilians in this war.

We quote from the book: "The New Deal is looking ahead to knock off Senator Tom Connally from Texas when he comes up for reelection in 1946. It tried tripping Connally in 1940 but with poor success; he had voted against the court-packing bill in the early days of the New Deal but had otherwise made himself unpopular around Pennsylvania Avenue. 'So it came to pass that for a while the New Deal looked with fondness upon Dr. Humphrey Lee, President of Southern Methodist University, as a possible candidate against Senator Connally. He and Harry Hopkins had been in correspondence since the day of one of his letters, the original is available. It is dated Aug. 27, 1943, and signed by Harry Hopkins to Dr. Lee. It

The Merry-Go-Round

By Drew Pearson... WASHINGTON... THE MERRY-GO-ROUND... The Merry-go-round of Washington politics is in full swing...

Elk Hills Boils... Latest developments in the Elk Hills oil controversy are known only to those who can see the inner workings of the Cabinet. Attorney General Biddle was expected to denounce the Navy's contract with Standard Oil of California as illegal. The result was that two Cabinet colleagues got next to him and changed his tune.

Corset Crisis... Here is one headache suffered by the War Production Board which they are not publishing: Will America's corsets stretch from now until next May? That is the date when the first synthetic-rubber corsets will be available. And they may be even later. Meanwhile, stocks of natural rubber are fast dwindling.

Everyday Counselor... By Rev. Herbert Spough... THE fact that my son is alive today is due to the work of Christian missionaries. My son, Harry Frankfort of Franklin, Va., is a friend of mine the other day.

Pistol Packin' Man, Lay Those Pistols Down!



A Breach Of Freedom

By Raymond Clapper... WASHINGTON... THE independent press is allowed to do the first hand report. The repressive measures taken against accredited American correspondents in Cato are not what we usually associate with a free democracy.

Down Little King!

By Samuel Grafton... NEW YORK... I WRITE this piece only to hold down my anti-Yugoslav franchise. Our policy makers watch the press, you know. You'll remember the case of the late Mrs. Well. If for a few weeks, nobody says anything about Vittorio Emanuele, one understanding the nature of checking up on Grafton might say: 'Looks as if there's not much to be done for the King under more.' I would not want this fellow, who probably needs his job to live, to fight alongside the Axis. No sooner was it

Reporter's Notebook



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The Smuts Plan

By Dorothy Thompson... WASHINGTON... JAN CHRISTIAN SMUTS, Prime Minister of the Union of South Africa, is worried about the relative positions of Britain, America, and Russia, following the war.

Printers Turn

Down AFL Again... INDIANAPOLIS—The official tabulation of the recent referendum held by the International Typographical Union on reaffiliation with the American Federation of Labor shows the proposal defeated by a majority of 1,223 Woodruff, Indianapolis, secretary-treasurer, announced today.

