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KEAUVER ACCEPTS CHALLENGE

In the wake of Senator Kefauver's thumping New Hampshire victory, political analysts have wondered whether the outcome indicated the strength of Kefauver's sentiment or the extent of the anti-Truman feeling.

The Senator, who rambled on the New Hampshire venture and won, apparently believes the people were voting for him and not simply against Mr. Truman. Otherwise, it would be difficult to explain his decision to do battle with Senator Richard Russell in a Florida primary.

Florida is New Hampshire. It is a Southern state. It borders Georgia, Senator Russell's home. It was the scene of a smashing triumph by the conservative Claude Bowers over the liberal Claude Pepper. Furthermore, the people of Florida were not in on the televised Kefauver crime hearings and hence do not know the Senator as well as the people of New Hampshire know him.

And in the case of Kefauver, Kefauver has one great potential asset in Florida. That is the fronted opposition of Governor Fuller Warren. The Florida chief executive has been waging a one-man war against Kefauver. He has been waging a one-man war against Kefauver. He has been waging a one-man war against Kefauver.

A MEMORIAL FOR CHARLES B. AYCOCK

IN THEIR PREFACE to The Life and Speeches of Charles B. Aycock, R. D. W. Connor and Clarence Poo recall Aycock's words as a lasting legacy to Jennings Bryn to a North Carolina audience.

"It has never been my custom in presenting a speaker to an audience to eulogize him. If he needs it, he does not deserve it; if he deserves it, he does not need it."

To which they appended: "The authors have sought to write with a full recognition of this fact. It despite our efforts our volume still appears eulogistic, and we are sorry for that, but we have a faithful delineation, an unadorned negative of his character, as it were, itself given that impression."

Today Charles B. Aycock does not need further eulogy, but he deserves a more permanent monument to his large role in N. C. history. The cause of public education that he advanced and the principle of equal opportunity he espoused brought to the pillars that have supported North Carolina in the difficult years of this century. Hence, it is altogether fitting for the Aycock Memorial Commission to eulogize Charles B. Aycock and his family by sponsoring a \$40,000 statewide campaign to restore his birthplace at Fremont.

THEY NEEDED SAYING

THE investigation into a series of fast oil tanker deals hasn't exactly pleased the bold Morris in a favorable light. He was head of a charitable China Foundation. The Foundation was the sole owner of a shipping firm. Morris' law firm was attorney for the shipping firm. Last profits were made on a small original cash investment. Trade with Red China figured in the business.

Even so, the testimony is not yet conclusive, and it is not entirely clear: So far the investigation will reveal more judgment on Morris' role in the deal and wait for Senator Hoyer's committee report to decide if the New York lawyer did anything illegal or unethical or both.

Morris' own testimony is the man for the job he stood up to his Senate inquirers. Goaded to anger by some of Senator McCarthy's questions, Morris said:

"Over a period of months I've readent

TEXAS HAS NOTHING ON OLD NORTH STATE

ARE YOU TIRED of tall tales from Texas? Do you change the subject when a New Star states the greatness of his native land? Well fret no more, Tar Heel, you've just been too modest. Fact is, Texas are darn dependent on North Carolina. For instance:

A Texas cowpuncher's pants probably come from the largest denim mill in the world, Greensboro, his skivvies from the largest underwear factory in the world, at Winston-Salem. Cold nights on the prairie he probably wears a Cashmere blanket from the world's largest wool blanket mill, at Elkin.

He rolls his Bull Durham or Duke's Mixture in papers from the largest cigarette paper plant in the U. S., near Brevard. And the talcum powder he uses probably comes from North Carolina too, for we raise and manufacture more talcum than any other state.

The hose on the shapely legs of Texas women probably come from North Carolina, which manufactures 60 per cent of the nation's entire hosiery output. And for good measure, we might as well mention the biggest household textile mill in the world, at Kannapolis, and the largest damask mill in the world, at Roanoke Rapids.

Then, too, North Carolina leads the nation in wood furniture production, and manufactures more bricks per capita than any other state. Up in North Wilkesboro you'll find the world's largest individual mirror-manufacturing plant. And—where but in North Carolina do you find the famous Venus fly trap growing profusely?

Warren tiff more diverting than Senator Russell's bid for support.

But we suspect the Kefauver's success or failure in Florida will finally turn on the question posed at the beginning of this editorial. Was his victory in New Hampshire the result of his own strength? Or was it an expression of anti-Truman sentiment? The St. Louis Post-Dispatch, which followed the New Hampshire primary closely, interpreted the outcome this way:

"This is less a victory for Senator Kefauver than it is a defeat for Harry S. Truman. To express their opposition, Democratic voters in New Hampshire clearly would have voted for other Democratic candidates had they been entered. Indeed they did so even though other candidates were not listed. They wrote in a total of sixteen names, including Vice-President Bertley, Governor Stevenson and Senator Douglas of Illinois. Senator Russell of Georgia also continues to hope that General Eisenhower will be the Democratic nominee and so wrote him in."

If that analysis holds for Florida, Kefauver's chances will be slim. For the anti-Truman sentiment is likely to solidify itself behind Russell. In fact, in the flush of victory, Kefauver may have made a miscalculation that will further alienate pro-Russell Southern Democrats and damage his reputation as a vote-getter nationally.

People's Platform

Letters should be brief. The writers name and address must be given, but may be withheld from publication in the discretion of the Editor. The News reserves the right to condense.

Impressed PINEHURST Dear Sirs: I WAS impressed with your children's section of the Charlotte News. I think there should be more time and interest in anything we can plan to create children's interest reading.

I have a small private kindergarten and first grade in Pinehurst. I showed them your new section of the paper today and asked if anyone would like to draw a picture and tell its story for the paper. MRS. ROBERT BARRETT.

A Grand Paper CHARLOTTE I love your Children's News. I wish you could have it every night. I would have it especially. SUSAN FERGUSON 239 W. Park Ave.

"EQUAL that is the word! On that word, I plant myself and my party—the equal rights party—born on earth to have the opportunity to burrow onto all there is within him." The restoration of the Aycock home will provide an appropriate memorial to the man who showed North Carolina that the way to a rich, full destiny lies in the education of its people.

Thank You

I like the Children's News very much. I am in the first grade in myself. Thank you for the Children's News. Yours truly, JANE TOTTER, 183 Court Street.

It's Very Nice

Dear Charlotte News: I am ten years old. I enjoy The Children's News very much. I can't figure out Zoo's who. I think it is very nice. My brothers are 12 and 14 like it too. We all like it. Dick says I hope you will keep publishing it. SUZANNE HAMILTON, 1467 Edgewood Road.

Wonderful Idea

Dear Sirs: I think the "Children's News" is a Wonderful Idea. The

Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

WASHINGTON PRESIDENT TRUMAN is now faced with one of the most momentous decisions of his White House career. Within the next few weeks, he must either read the riot act to his good friend, Defense Mobilizer Charlie Wilson—Wilson to resign—or he can sit by and watch the mobilization program continue in the doldrums.

If he does the latter, it means not only endangering the nation's economy internally. For American industry, now plied to operate in high gear, is finding fewer military orders than expected. And weak spots in the economy have begun to crop out. Already the aluminum shortage has turned to an aluminum surplus, while Belgium and Luxembourg stare, at high prices, is lying on the docks rotting for lack of buyers.

Charles E. Wilson, the man in charge of mobilization, is a patriotic, able and energetic man. Just because his way up from the bottom to be head of General Electric, go to know Truman during the days of the old mobilization, he is placed in charge of mobilization, he is placed in charge of mobilization, he is placed in charge of mobilization.

Military Inefficiency

There have been three big reasons for the mobilization failure: Reason No. 1 is primarily Wilson's own. He has permitted the military to handle procurement instead of running things himself. Reason No. 2, which stems from the first, is consistently inefficient military procurement. When military orders, trained chiefly to fight, are placed in charge of civilian production, they nearly always bungles.

Reason No. 3 is gross underestimation of the nation's productive capacity. Wilson and his associates have not had faith in what the nation could produce under pressure.



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Needs Good Story CHARLOTTE I LIKE The Children's News very much, but I think it can be improved by having a story of the week in it. By the way I mean the most outstanding story in the news. MYRA STEELE 621 McDonald Ave.

Likes Newspaper LAUREL HILL Dear Sirs: I am a little girl 9 years old in the fifth grade. I like your Children's Newspaper very much. Yours truly, CAROL LEE STUTTS

Good Comics KINGS MOUNTAIN MY little daughter "Martha" age five and a half, likes the comic about in The Charlotte News very much, especially "Nancy" and "Blondie." I know the Children will enjoy Children's News very much. MRS. GARFIELD HOWARD.

Exciting CHARLOTTE I LIKE the paper very much. It has exciting stories and poems in it. Would you please put a few more pages in it to like to read like groupings. The thing I like most is the cartoons and the puzzles. I wish we would have headlines like the regular paper. Yours truly, ARTIE MATTOX.

Too Small CHARLOTTE I WOULD like some more pages in The Charlotte News. I am seven years old, and like your paper very much. Yours truly, JUSTICE HANADY 1807 Chestnut St.

They're All Pleased CHARLOTTE I AM enjoying The Children's News very, very much. It has the most wonderful things in it. Mom and Dad think it is wonderful too. ANN LEE

Quote, Unquote More ethics in journalism is the need, says a politician. Such as when asking the candidate where he stands on the issues until he has had the chance to read his own newspaper and find out—Kansas City Star.

Lowered Goals JUST a little over a year ago, January, 1951, military and civilian chiefs both agreed to shoot for a goal of 1,850 planes per month and that this goal was to be attained by September, 1953. This was not an unreasonable goal. Actually it represented, in weight, less than the nation's rate of production at the time of Pearl Harbor.

Today we're producing planes at the rate of 675 per month, which compares, in weight, to about half of what we produced at the time of Pearl Harbor. So there are three delays that have kept the production goal, as of September, 1953, should be reduced to 1,250 per month.

Further result is that we have fallen far below our promises to Europe for war material. Originally we proposed supplying the material, Europe the money. When we fall down on material, naturally Europe holds back on money. What is the use, they argue, "of putting me in uniform when they lack modern weapons with which to fight?"

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A Stevenson-Russell Ticket May Be Democratic Formula

By JOSEPH & STEWART ALSOP

WASHINGTON THERE IS GOOD reason to believe that President Truman, as he ponders his final decision regarding the Ford party, may be moving over in his mind a rather startling idea. This is the notion of a Democratic ticket without a break.

Adlai Stevenson, who is the President's favorite for first place if he does not run himself, is now here—the element of surprise ends with Sen. Richard Russell, of Georgia in second place.

Russell has been represented as being determined to bolt the Democratic Party and head up a splinter Southern party unless the South has its way at the Democratic convention. Actually, Senator Russell, who is both an able man and a Democrat to his fingertips, has thought of breaking up the old Democratic coalition, and splitting his party perhaps permanently, but only as a last resort.

Abner G. Jones, of South Carolina, and Sen. Harry Byrd, of Virginia, have been labored long and hard to persuade Russell to promise to run on a splinter ticket if Truman should be nominated. Russell has steadfastly refused.

Actually, Russell's Presidential candidacy is intended primarily as a sort of friendly warning to President Truman. But even if it is used advisedly, Russell has never been the typical right-wing southern politician. His political contrary he has supported many New Deal Fair Deal measures, and he is never known for his able handling of the MacArthur inquiry, and Russell's name is always mentioned with respect and even admiration in White House circles.

Yet, Russell, in announcing for the Presidency, is warning Truman that he will split his party wide open if he runs again. And so, he is warning Truman that he will split his party wide open if he runs again. And so, he is warning Truman that he will split his party wide open if he runs again.

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Cobb's Lament For Old Days Not So Moving As It Seems

By ROBERT C. RUARK

NEW YORK MR. Tyrus Raymond Cobb has just leaped into print with some memoirs which are, in the current crop of baseball athletes and their aficionados, and yet suspect, thoughtless, and right about three-quarters of the time.

The Georgia Peach's tirade in Life suggests rather strongly that Cobb's crop of major leaguers are a flock of bums, for the most part; that the ballgame has lost; that it has lost its purity, that it is just generally ain't what they used to be when he was a boy.

Especially in the last category is the diamond dirt. Things have changed around these parts considerably since he divined the bases from the minors in 1906, and it is not illogical to assume that baseball may have changed with the bases. The retirement incentive the airplane may have worked greater changes on the world than any other invention. The retirement incentive the airplane may have worked greater changes on the world than any other invention.

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very heavy leaved if Truman is renominated. If Russell does change his mind, and agrees to head the Ford party, the new ruling over in his mind a rather startling idea. This is the notion of a Democratic ticket without a break.

The idea of a Stevenson-Russell ticket is a way out of the conger to Truman's party may seem strange. But actually, Stevenson, despite the fact that he is a North-right legislator is by no means unpopular with the voters. Moreover, he is an old friend of Governor Byrd, and he is actually a cousin of Senator Russell. Moreover, he has strong feelings about both states' rights and government economy, and these views are welcome in the South.

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Joint Chiefs, who do the planning, and the American factories, men of the manufacturing industry, there are many of offices generally lumped under the heading of "procurement."

These offices include Army Ordnance, Quartermaster Corps, Engineers, Transportation, Navy Bureau of Aeronautics, Naval Material, Navy Guided Missiles, Air Force Materiel Command, and the Air Materiel Command. Most of these are under military officers, and here is where the production program has largely bogged down. It has bogged down partly because of poor planning partly because of the demand for perfection, partly because of constantly changing designs.

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