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SOUTHERN DEMOCRATS ASKED FOR IT

LAST NIGHT the smoldering hostility between the Northern and Southern wings of the Democratic Party flared up openly at Chicago. The immediate issue is a pledge, engineered by Sen. Blair Moody of Michigan and others, which would bind all delegates to do all in their power to see that the measure of the convention have a place on the November ballot in their respective states.

It was said that the resolution was a slur on the Northern traditions of Southern Democratic states. It cast no slur whatsoever. It just attempts to forestall another 1948 blot when four of those states deprived the national party of their electoral votes and gave them to an abortive States Rights movement.



People's Platform

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

AMERICANS ARE NOT JUST Pawns

A POLITICAL SPEAKER is not expected to buttress all his arguments with logic. And it is true that the statement that usually goes "we must show up the Communists" is often a realistic and proper reason for a particular action—one of the reasons.

sites protection of civil rights so we can "win against Communism". Certainly the U. S. should be cognizant of Red maneuvers in order to combat them. But it sometimes seems that this country has retrogressed a lot from the precepts of a few years ago, when its citizens disavowed mass bombing, incendiary bombing, atomic attack, when it weighed an issue on its own merits, on its own benefits to democracy and humanity, rather than merely its effect on the Communists.

A Tip For Pet Owners

EDITORS, THE NEWS: On the evening of July 12, before retiring, I observed that the family cat "Smoky" had departed from his usual haunts in the basement to the children's pangs of sorrow, which would be added to by viewing the remains. I decided to get up early and amble the body out of the basement and to its final resting place before they awakened.

CHARLOTTE

determined to rid themselves of the evils of a complacent administration too long in power, this leadership has taken on a character of integrity and principle which can be accepted nationally, and in every state of the North-South as well as North, East and West, prepared to meet the problems of the present and the developments of the future.

NUTS TO IDEOLOGY—HOW FAST IS HE?

ONCE UPON A TIME, perhaps back in those distant years when a glass of beer marketed for a nickel, the sports pages of a newspaper served as the sanctuary for the American male. He could open a Republican and expect no confusions, no complexities, no troubling complexities. After a day of wrangling with government controls and the strophastic cost of living, it was comforting to know that he would not be swept among the box seats and the batting averages, one of a man's few exits from reality.

important issue is how fast a man can run, how high he can jump, how far he can throw. The Olympic committee of '32 showed it agreed when it admitted the Chinese Reds to the events, regardless of the world dislike which the political West feels toward that nation.

A Victory For The South

EDITORS, THE NEWS: I have just received the Republican Convention platform and its resolutions and amplections. Regardless of party affiliation, every voter will feel the impact of its results. It becomes increasingly evident that the overwhelming nomination of General Eisenhower as the leader of the Republican Party on the first ballot carries with it consequences of epoch-making significance.

Quote, Unquote

Many a college lowers its entrance requirements with a specific end in view—not to mention promising hallmarks and quarterbacks—Greeneville (Tenn.) Sun. And now a firm is making plates with the Confederate battle flag painted on them. Furthermore, no matter what city in the United States you live in, if you send your order direct to the manufacturer, your Confederate plate will be delivered to your home by a man in a gray uniform—Lexington (Ky.) Leader.

ALL IN THE FAMILY

THESE WORDS were used last week to describe the present Democratic Administration in Washington: "Odorous fleshpots... political rapscallions... corruption and immorality... traitors... forming nations of vice and venality... political vandals... wastrels and squanderers... pompous and arrogant... ludicrous... mess of Pendergast politics."

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WE ALL KNOW SHE'S BOSS

WOMAN'S battle for recognition in a man's world was ancient history even before such figures as Florence Nightingale and Molly Pitcher, Amanda Bloomer and Susan B. Anthony burst through the lace curtains of feminine anonymity. American women used tactics for winning it. The Amazons and Sappho Cleopatra, Queen Elizabeth, Catherine the Great, Marguerite of Navarre, du Barry, Jeanne d'Arque and others proved that power, or prominence, or not, is achieved through masculine prerogatives, each having achieved new appreciation for the brains and agility on society's distaff side.

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Southern Democrats Asked For Negative, Frustrating Power

THE SOUTH is the tall that is wagging the dog, in both Republican and Democratic circles. It is one of the strangest ironies of American history that nearly a century after the war between the states the white South has two the different ways of life should still shape the political scene in a position to tip the balance.

Barkley Withdrawal Ends A Long Political Career

BY JOE HALL, AP Staff Writer: CHICAGO: VICE-PRESIDENT ALBEN BARKLEY announced the end of a 47-year political career with a statement so long delayed that it was almost climactic.

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Alben W. Barkley

Probed By Kefauver

COMMISSIONER Elrod's reputation was such that during the Kefauver Crime Commission probe he was cross-

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