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A MORSEL OF HOPE FOR GLOOMY GOP

AN OUT-AND-OUT Fair Dealer swamped the Republican, Liberal and minor party opponents for the majority of New York City.

A New Jersey "Support Eisenhower" platform, to represent a congressional district that never before, in its 21 years of existence, had gone to the Democrats.

A Democrat upset the Republican candidate for the New Jersey governorship (10 years in GOP hands) by a comfortable margin of some 170,000 votes.

Those are the significant political facts that arose in Republican stomachs yesterday.

The GOP could not even take solace in the good showing made by the defeated Republican gubernatorial candidate in Wisconsin, that in a definite trend against the party in power has been established.

It is a trend more pronounced than usual in off-election years.

It is a trend that could mean Democratic control, after next year's election, of the Senate, now controlled by the GOP, and the House, where the GOP will have a margin of but one if a Democrat wins the California contest next week.

How can the Republicans halt this trend, and continue in control of Congress during the incumbency of their President?

They can't do it, as they discovered in Wisconsin, with fancy brochures and loudspeakers and gestures several times larger than the Democrats'.

They can't do it, as they discovered in New Jersey, with smooth behind-the-scenes experts like Bernard Lamb.

ADO ABOUT MUCH NOTHING

A QUICK scrutiny of the headlines over a period of several days indicates that the nation's governors, at their annual conference at Hot Springs, Va.

1. Heard Gov. H. H. Tammidge of Kentucky sound off on segregation.

2. Listened to Secretary of Agriculture Benson say he wouldn't budge on the plan to reorganize the Soil Conservation Service.

3. Disagreed on President Eisenhower's current political appeal.

4. Disputed the meaning of Tuesday's elections in Virginia, New York and New Jersey.

5. Failed to act on any proposal to turn

THE CULTURE MARKET IS BOOMING

AMERICAN culture has come off rather badly at the hands of critics in the Past.

Samuel Taylor Coleridge once chided: "In the four quarters of the globe, who reads an American book, or goes to an American picture or statue?"

On our own Ralph Waldo Emerson spoke of greener pastures elsewhere when he wrote that "All educated Americans, first or last, go to Europe."

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The only way to do it is to present, at the conclusion of the 83rd Congress, a solid record of legislative and administrative accomplishment.

This accomplishment will require, above all, a brand of leadership that the President has exhibited too seldom so far.

Many presidents have felt their way along during their first year in office. They have struggled between two conceptions of executive power, the one that the executive should be a coordinator, delegating much authority, the other that he should lead, direct the nation and perhaps this nation's allies.

President Eisenhower may prefer the former concept. But neither the state of the world or the nation will permit him to follow it successfully.

For if a program is to be hammered out on the multitudinous issues that have been postponed—trade and tariffs, social security, agriculture, labor, taxes, the President is going to have to have to throw his weight around.

Furthermore, his program must basically be a progressive one, acceptable to a coalition of Democrats and liberal Republicans.

The recent elections have strengthened the President's hand, if he indeed chooses the latter course. The Republican Old Guarders in Congress will now realize that they cannot afford to obstruct such a program, lest they lose their coveted committee chairmanships and other perquisites of office.

The realities of the world after the 1954 elections. In sum, the trend against the Republicans can be used to their advantage, if it moves the President to exert his power as a party leader in a more decisive and positive manner.

HOW NOW?

ON TUESDAY, the voters of Bridgeport, Conn., elected Socialist Jasper McLean to mayor in a 118 straight tie.

They haven't heard about "creeping socialism"?

A PAT AND A PROD

FROM its perch as grand arbiter of the newspaper world, Enron & Publishers has handed down a new, sharp judgment that newspapering has been one of the mainstays of the South's economic recovery—the crutch, they say, for Reconstruction paralysis.

Unfortunately, we can go along with this only so far. It is precisely true of the South's better newspapers. In North Carolina such papers as the GREENSBORO DAILY NEWS and the CHARLOTTE NEWS have paved a long road of progress.

Other southern newspapers have abdicated their responsibilities, casting their duties to the winds. We could extend this to the analogy of the little girl, who when she was good, was very good, and when she was bad was horrid.

As for the good newspapers, their shots in the South's arm have been of several sorts.

First, national newspapers, while nicely playing national and international events, also properly consider those events which affect the South. Newspapers, as do the school systems, was a continuing fight to get ahead. They are mass editors. They reflect the South's stable traditions, which refuse to swing violently from one extreme to the other.

Second, the good newspapers of the South must ideas and philosophies of the South. They get an intellectual pace.

Third, newspapers give an economic example for southern business—a solvent example dotted by improvisation in machinery, processes.

But this sort of progress does not, by itself, constitute a credit. Newspapering should consider this pat on the back as a compliment, but more, as a new call to the typewriter.

The two most common kinds of lies being told in the world today are little white ones and big red ones—Carlsbad (N. M.) Current-Argus.

In Mexico they hunt mountain lions with autos. Pedestrians must be scarce down there—Fort Myers (Fla.) News-Press.

The little boy was scrutinizing his grandmother who had just arrived and whom he had never seen before.

"So you're my grandpa's mother," he said.

"Yes," she replied sweetly, "on your father's side."

"Well, you're on the wrong side. I'll tell you that right now,"—Lamar (Mo.) Democrat.

Britain Earning Bitter Dividends From China Recognition

BY JOSEPH ALON

HONG KONG "I told you your own property on a golden platter, and politely plead with them to accept it as a gift. Then you've got to sweeten the deal by putting a bit of cash on the platter too. And then they're out of business and 'thank you' is all that's left."

The speaker was a general, prominent appearing man, who had been in the Chinese Communist government for some time. He was a "Taiwan" customarily used to acquire. As a Taiwan, which locally means a "Taiwan" customarily used to acquire.

Yet these men kept their error now and have paid a heavy price for it. All the great China gas firms—Jardine Matheson, Butterfield & Swire, the Hongkong-Shanghai and the biggest of all in the terms of property in China, the half American, British-American Tobacco Company—have had the same experience.

Almost from the beginning on the one hand, the British have been forbidden to do business in Communist territory, or have not been allowed to do so. On the other hand, they have been forced to keep on the books, and to pay out their payrolls and to pay these thousands of employees by the Chinese Communist currency at the official exchange rate.

It is this fantastic drain, therefore, all the great China gas firms from us are in the order of \$4 for every \$1 that they send northward.

Benson Stands Up To Critics In Soil Conservation Move

BY MARQUIS CHILDS

WASHINGTON Secretary of Agriculture Ezra Taft Benson is proceeding with his plan to reorganize the Soil Conservation Service.

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of equal rank in the company as replacements. The mistake of the old China hand was that he lived all their lives in one of the periods of troubled interregnum which are characteristic of Chinese history.

The "travelers from Shanghai" brought a message, for instance, that a small but very old-established company probably be worth \$10,000,000. (This would be a saving, since the payroll was 1,000,000 a month).

The Chinese Communists do not let off their hostages easily. They have Chinese Coast properties have taken a long time to give away, are even allowed to arrange actions to their people in China without first sending in mem-

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

People's Platform

BY MARTIN LUTHER

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What is happening in Communist territory can hardly be helped. The Communists also make some money out of this city of 2,000,000 (mainly refugees) by selling vegetables to Hongkong. For the rest, all the American have, official and official, agree that the strict Hongkong regulations governing trade in strategic goods are usually enforced.

SOME SMUGGLING. A little smuggling is inevitable. No doubt one or two shipping firms have been able to get through the rules. Also there is a legal trade in non-strategic materials. The American Communists get 25 per cent or more of the strategic goods that really matter to the United States.

The important thing for both London and Washington to realize now is that brute contact with hard realities has sharply changed these Communist attitudes. The city of Hongkong is now strongly anti-Communist. The minds of the Chinese have been made up.

The lesson for London, even if it is not to be learned, is that British nationals in China, is to stop talking the nonsense London has borrowed from the Communists who have learned better. The lesson for Washington, as usual, is to let the Chinese take care of their own China trade problem in general.

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