

MONDAY, OCTOBER 25, 1948

Senator To Constable Ticket

NO MATTER what factors may be involved in the Presidential election, it shouldn't require very deep soul searching for the North Carolina voter to make up his mind about Congressional, State, and local races. There is but one decision which makes very good sense—to support the Democratic Party ticket.

As a general principle, a two-party system for the South would be a good thing; as a practical matter, we do not yet have a two-party system in North Carolina. Until we do, until the Republican Party develops the kind of public leadership which will command the respect of the State's citizens, the Democratic Party is the only choice.

The Legion and Pensions

LAST YEAR, after the boy of the American Legion pulled out of New York and made their weary way homeward, the City of Miami, their early destination, was left behind and decided against extending another invitation. Last week the Legionnaires, as proud as so many schoolboys, left Miami in their early start toward the words of praise from their director of public relations. It was, he said, the best heaved Legion convention in history.

In that respect the most recent convention was unique. In most other respects, it was the usual thing. As the gathering, endorsed Universal Military Service and a strong system of defense, heard a number of speeches by public officials including the "non-political" one by President Truman. Then they voted for another pension plan which would add countless billions to the U. S. budget.

Two pension proposals were endorsed. One was for \$100 million a year for I and II a first proposal of \$60 million upon reaching the age of 55, and \$75 million at 65. The other would grant World War I veterans, their widows and children the

have served the area so well in the past. With a Republican Administration and Congress in prospect, it is even more imperative that the South continue its Congressional affiliation with the Democratic Party until such time as the party can reorganize, restore harmony and good feeling, and begin to move forward once again.

Finally, the Democratic candidates themselves merit support. J. Melville Broughton, the category leader of U. S. Senator, is a man of exceptional and proven ability who made an outstanding record as Governor of the state. W. Kerr Scott, the nominee for Governor, is an able and experienced official, who commands tremendous popular respect. In our own Congressional district, Hamilton C. Jones, ably assisted by his secretary, John Sliar, has compiled a satisfactory record on regional, national and international matters and deserves reelection. Throughout the list of local, State, and Congressional offices, the Democratic Party is offering men in whom the voters can place their trust.

For these reasons, The News, which has announced its support of the Dewey-Warren Presidential ticket for reasons set forth previously, continues its long record of supporting the Democratic Party and its candidates in the Congressional, State and local races.

People's Platform

Dewey Editorial Commended

CHARLOTTE. I WISH to comment with reference to your editorial entitled, "For President, 1948-1953." I wish to commend you for the editorial first of all because I think it took a considerable amount of courage to come out unequivocally for Mr. Dewey in this traditional Democratic section. I do not believe that North Carolina will have too much difficulty in voting for Dewey this time because I feel that the South was read out of the Democratic Party in Philadelphia. I feel that the important issue before North Carolina now is that they support two parties. It is so this is a new era in the growth and prosperity of this section.

This Is War

WASHINGTON, D. C. Editors, The Charlotte (Republican) News: I am Charles Francis Adams, writing in my dispatch to Earl Russell. It would be superfluous in me to point out to you Londoners that this war...

A Vote For Truman

CHARLOTTE. I AM really happy to reside in Charlotte and have the News delivered to my door every day. This is one of the most complete newspapers in the country. Every page is a magnificent view into all aspects of life, from the most trivial to the most important, social and intellectual, like a portable university.

Dewey's War Orisms

CORNELIUS. MR. DEWEY Pearson's editorial of Oct. 14, and Mr. Alex M. Worth's editorial of Oct. 19 concerning Thomas E. Dewey's record is incorrect. Mr. Dewey was not governor of New York and not even district attorney. Also, he states that his draft status was marked "confidential."

Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

ALBUQUERQUE. WHITE-MANED and busy-eyed Patrick J. Hurley, one of the last political relics of the Hoover Administration, has been named as a junior member of the House in his campaign for Senator as if he were fresh out of Baptist Indian College where he went to school.

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Protection Pretense

WASHINGTON. THE report passed on by the Senate of the House Un-American Activities Committee means to turn its attention to the investigation of the threat of subversive forces in higher education. The committee, so far as the faculty is concerned, was first on Columbia University in New York.

That would be in accord with the pattern established by the head-hunting body. Because the president of Columbia is a Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, anything that would open up the university to a higher rate of publicity.

But the committee is likely to find that President Eisenhower prepared to meet them on their own ground. Before going to Washington to the great university over which he presides, the members of the committee will have had to read the address he gave when he was formally installed as president.

RIGHT TO EXPLORE. In that address Eisenhower clearly stated the right of academic inquiry and the freedom to teach political doctrines considered evil.

Perhaps Mr. Pearson and Mr. Worth are referring to Mr. Dewey's military record. He did not enlist nor was he drafted in any service in the last war but his war on vice and crime was here at home has been greater than the medals, ribbons and stars he could have won in foreign battlefields.

The military had enough trained men to win the war against Fascism and Nazism, but not enough trained men here at home to keep out other "isms" while the war was in progress. All during his campaign of 1944 critics used these facts over the radio and personal speeches to the American people and lost the election because the people did not want to believe it.

So far for the man in the United States who has been a great general had he been in the armed forces. Not all vice and "isms" have been fighting and are still fighting in Germany and Japan. America is infested with vice, crime and foreign agents, and there is no man in the United States who has a better record for fighting this than Thomas E. Dewey.

It is surprising to learn that none of Mr. Pearson's and Mr. Worth's callers do not know that all pertinent information concerning an individual, whether it is Draft Board, Civil Service, etc., is labeled "confidential."

—MRS. HERBERT A. JONES, Dewey.

P. S. A Democrat cast a Democrat vote for Dewey.

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or individuals Columbia is a large university and by association is made up of many diverse origins and backgrounds. But such a discovery will have nothing to do with the great body of teaching at Columbia or, for that matter, at any other large American university.

Manifestations of thought control by association are developing in a frightening fashion. It is not merely thought to say that the faculty is not a member of the American Association of University Professors, but that it is a member of the American Association of University Professors.

But there are many arguments, it seems to me, for the appointment of such a committee. President Truman immediately after the election. And if General Eisenhower could be persuaded to accept the chairmanship of such a committee, it would be a great step toward the elimination of the "isms" which are poisoning the lives of American citizens who have never had the slightest shadow of a thought of disloyalty.

Before the New York Herald-Tribune Forum the other day Paul A. Porter, former OPA director, made a suggestion that deserves serious consideration. He proposed that the committee be headed by a member of the American Association of University Professors who would be free to investigate the dangers and disasters of political departments and departments of domains while pretending to protect our security.

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There may be such an individual who would be free to investigate the dangers and disasters of political departments and departments of domains while pretending to protect our security.

A committee of fair-minded citizens, if it is to be effective, must be a bulwark against that sort of pressure. Its findings, supported by the facts, should be made known to the public. The committee should be given the right to investigate the lives of American citizens who have never had the slightest shadow of a thought of disloyalty.

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