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THE LITTLE MAN WITH AN IDEA

DAVID and Goliath sparring match in which this section of the county has both a personal and financial interest...

The story behind Resort Airlines is an appealing one. The idea of it was conceived by Lt. Col. L. C. Burwell of the Air Force in the China-Burma-India Theater during the war...

This was a brand-new service, conflicting with no existing service of the airline industry...

THE FUTURE OF THE DIXIECRATS

Now that the "thing is all over, the favorite pastime among political prognosticators is the popular guessing game, "What's to become of the Dixiecrats?"...

As a matter of fact, the South will probably take care of its rip-mooring renegades in its own fashion, if left alone to do so...

FRENCH VOTERS SWING TO THE RIGHT

In France this week the Reds are crowding, and the rightists are growing. Almost as stunning a blow to the Communists as was the Democratic sweep to the Republicans was the amazing shift in French political affection Sunday...

Tall, mustached Gen. De Gaulle, free France's most extreme rightist group. It took more than 100 seats from the half-dozen revolutionaries represented in the National Assembly...

It has been estimated that fully one-third of French voters will cast ballots for Communists if a general election is held soon...

to do a business that no one else does. The big airlines (Government-subsidized, all of them) have fought it from the start, using the standard devices of delay and objection...

But Resort has kept punching. The gallant little company has held together and held to its conviction, and now, at exhaustion, it is soon to knock the best, or the worst.

This Summer a CAB examiner, after months of study, recommended that the franchise be granted. Since then the matter has been under review by the whole Board, and a decision is expected shortly...

For in Resort Airlines he has the embodiment of the little man who had an idea that he kept punching. Discouraged it may have been, but diahatered it refused to be. It believed in itself and it held to the conviction that some kind of action, if it is taken, is better than no action at all...

Somehow, there is a middle ground. The underlying principle of equal civil rights is a sound one, and an American one...

Elsewhere in today's paper, Columnist Marquis Childs suggests that a conference of Southern leaders of all opinions (exclusive of the die-hard Democrats) be called by the President to meet with him in North Carolina, perhaps at Chapel Hill...

POOR PROVERBS

Last week's election disproved, among other things, a lot of halfwitted political maxims. Among the discredited maxims were these:

"Republicans have a better chance to win when there is a small vote." The total vote last week was less than 1940 and 1946.

"Farmers always vote Republican in times of prosperity." Among the states that went for Truman last week were Iowa, Wisconsin and Idaho.

DREW PEARSON'S MERRY-GO-ROUND

REPUBLICAN TRUMAN'S first Cabinet meeting after the election was no backslapping affair. It was a sober, businesslike session...

"I would like to take the two minutes to say a prayer for the Democratic Party." President Truman did virtually all the talking at the Cabinet meeting and finished in less than fifteen minutes.

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'What News From The U. N. Front, Great Chief?'



Editor Of Steel Analyzes The Vote

Lesson In The Election For Industry

(From Steel, trade publication of the Steel Industry)

WHILE faithless Democrats, over-confident Republicans, misguided Progressives, professional politicians, multiple editors and political experts of newspapers, cocksure columnists, know-it-all publishers of confidential Washington "tip" sheets and so-called radio commentators who profess to know the innermost thoughts of the American people are attempting to explain why they were 100 per cent wrong in predicting the outcome of last Tuesday's election, it behooves American industrialists to consider seriously where they stand in relation to that surprising event.

They stand in a discredited position. A majority of the industry's executive, operating and technical personnel is believed to favor Republican doctrines. Numerous top-flight industrialists openly avow their Republicanism and are active in GOP affairs. The public feels that industry and the party are closely related. Therefore, thousands of Republicans in the industry should share of Republicanism over a period of many years and should do something about it.

One thing that industry can do immediately is to start a planned effort to make a favorable attitude toward industry on the part of a candidate for the Presidency of the United States as soon as the election is held.

This will require a complete overhauling of industry's back-to-work session. The industry has been pouring hundreds of millions of dollars down a rat hole in a belief that if the man in the street had understood industry properly, he would support it staunchly.

We suggest that part of the effort made in the past to "sell" industry to the public hereafter be devoted to directing industry's affairs so that the average man actually receives his proper share of industrial benefits in the form that he can best recognize. When that has been accomplished there will be no need to "sell" him anything.

Secondly, we suggest that those members of the Old Guard whose presence in the high councils of Republicanism has been of doubtful value, abdicate in favor of younger men with open minds.

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Weapon Of Defense

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James Marlow

Social Security

WASHINGTON President Truman has passed a bill which will lead a better social security program, covering more people and giving them \$200,000,000 more.

It now covers about 30,000,000 workers. He wants it widened to take in 50,000,000 more.

There's room here — with a little bickering — to get into only those parts which affect retired workers and their dependents.

Consider the Social Security Act in 1935 for this purpose: To give workers some protection when they became too old to work, and insurance for their dependents when they die.

This was not charity. Workers and their employes had to pay equally for this insurance through their social security tax.

Although the act was passed in 1935 workers and employes did not have to start paying their tax into the fund. They've been paying it ever since in this way: \$20 a month (\$2,000 a year).

The employes pay a yearly tax of one cent on his wages or salary but only up to \$3,000 a year. He makes a year.

But — an employer pays a tax of one per cent on the wages or salaries his employes make but only up to the first \$3,000 for each of them.

This tax goes into a "fund" called the social security fund. The survivors insurance fund. There is now about \$10 billion in the fund. Payments from it are running about \$460,000,000 a year.

Not only men, women and children are receiving benefits now under the program.

To let workers get built up on a pension plan to start collecting insurance when they are 62, the law was allowed to start collecting insurance when they are 62.

Not every worker is covered. When a worker isn't covered by the law he can't get his own pension. To get a pension he has to pay a tax. But that worker can't get any old age insurance.

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Four Against The Windmill

(From The Asheville Citizen)

A LINOYITE operator in Charlotte, a columnist in Raleigh, another one in Washington, and an ex-Democrat national chairman in St. Louis.

Were there any more? These were the Prophets of '48. Alone, so far as we can find among 160 million Americans they called the turn on the Presidential election. They defied the pollsters, the columnists of great syndicates and the political doubters. Usually the "old-time" camp is crowded with claimants. But this time the company is highly exclusive.

Henry Wallace called it "The Century of the Common Man." But Henry got an uncommon beating Tuesday was the Day of the Don Quixotes. They spread windmill.

(NOTE—The Linoyte operator in Charlotte was Claude L. Albee of The News-Eds., The News.)

No Mixed Spice

(From The New York Sun)

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They include farmers, farm workers, self-employed persons, domestics, servants and people working for non-profit organizations like the Red Cross.

Who gets the insurance among the 20,000,000 workers who are covered? Retired workers, men and women, who have reached the age of 65, monthly benefits go to their wives if she is 65, and for his unmarried children under 18.

If the covered worker, under or over 65, dies, monthly benefits go to his widow, if she is over 65, his widow of any age if she has dependent children under 18; his parents if they were chiefly dependent on him and if he has no widow or children.

MORE BENEFITS WANTED The most insurance a 65-year-old worker can get if he retires right now is \$44.80 a month and then only if he has worked for the insurance 35 years since 1937 and if his salary since 1937 has averaged at least \$200 a month (\$2,000 a year).

And the most his wife can get if she reaches the maximum age is \$44.80 a month and then only if she has worked for the insurance 35 years since 1937 and if her salary since 1937 has averaged at least \$200 a month (\$2,000 a year).

There's no space to go into more details here but last Spring President Truman asked Congress to increase the maximum age to 60 per cent, so the retired worker would be getting only \$44.80 a month if he has worked for the insurance 35 years since 1937 and if his salary since 1937 has averaged at least \$200 a month (\$2,000 a year).

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