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Mr. Blythe's Trojan Horse

NO ONE, perhaps, can say with more authority than Charlotte's Joe Blythe that politics is indeed a strange business. Normally his ascension in the Democratic Party to the post of national treasurer would be acclaimed as a testimony to his ability and a recognition of the South's important role in Democratic Party affairs.

Both are true. But some of his Dixie friends have interpreted it otherwise. Their reasoning—Harry Truman is an enemy of the South; Joe Blythe is working for Harry Truman. Hence Joe Blythe is a Trojan horse. It nettles Mr. Blythe, of course, that his actions should be considered as an apostasy. Nothing is further from the truth, and Mr. McKnight's recent story in The News setting forth his position should have cleared away any suspicions that he has gone over to the enemy.

Wake Up, Parents!

IF the police did not already have A enough on their hands in keeping the highways clear of grown-up drunken and reckless drivers, they now also have a new menace to fight: the speed-crack teenager.

refuse them the use of their automobiles when they are under the driving age. A fifteen-year-old was arrested a few nights ago when he was caught driving his mother's 1935 Buick an hour along a congested highway and his boy was not an individual out for a lark. He was one of a band of boys who meet regularly and hold clogged heats on which bets are made.

Each of them a potential traffic death statistic, they share the guilt equally with the delinquent parent who allows them to drive when they have no driver's license.

They can tell the worried mother that she is subject to indictment for allowing her child to operate an automobile. The police have declared war on these reckless youngsters, and on parents who do nothing to keep them occupied with less hazardous diversion.

The Passing Of The Streetcar

EVER PROGRESS has its drawbacks, for now and then in its inevitable march into the future it will trample an old friend who happens to be in its path.

Under their instigation Truman appointed a committee to accept and make public a so-called civil rights report written for them. The group of workers people of moderate means to accept Negroes as their associates. The textile plants around Charlotte would be forced to withdraw to color people in the midst of the white sections or be subject to indictment.

A Tale Of Three Soldiers

NOT LONG ago three wounded and half-starved Chinese soldiers struggled into an American base in India. One, a 23-year-old private, could walk only with the aid of improvised bamboo crutches. The second, a 19-year-old orderly, had been wounded in the throat and could not speak.

There is a fable-like quality to the story. Perhaps someday Chinese school children can read of the ordeal of the three brave soldiers of a long-past war. And in the tale the private will say that courage sustains a man better than his legs; the orderly will add that many tongues only voice doubt and dissent; and the third will ask: What need of two eyes when he has four willing to see for him? The lesson of the Chinese Aesop? It will be the strength of unity and comradeship in arms. And long, long ago, the fable will say, that was what won the great war.

Boomerangs

CHIEF among these policies are: 1. Introduction of the new U. S. currency in Berlin. 2. Setting up of a new government in Western Germany. Both projects have been hotly assailed. Foreign affairs experts in the U. S. Britain and France have denounced the measures as needlessly provocative and tactically and economically unwise.

Stripped

THE honey victimizers of former Undersecretary A. Lee Wynans are mixed among the Treasury Department. Although one of the most successful bankers in the country, there is nothing stuffy about the shrewd, genial South Carolina banker who has been the most obtuse subject in a simple and graphic manner.

'I Ain't Tired'

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This cartoon by Herlock was drawn in July, 1946, and is one of a series being reprinted while he is on vacation.

People's Platform

Civil Rights Bid For Votes

IN YOUR editorial today (Aug. 24) you express displeasure with Judge Harris for promptly joining Governor Thurmond and Governor Wright on the ballot. You also say that the States Rights Party doesn't like Truman's civil rights program but it isn't going anywhere.

Quote, Unquote

A familiar sight of 30 years ago drew a crowd of spectators when Lee Outland drove his horse and buggy into a parking space on the west side of the square and proceeded to ring up a nickel in the parking meter—Murray (Ky) Democrat.

Sunday Observance

I HAVE read with interest the several comments on the "Sunday closing" case now in litigation. Most of the arguments presented in your Open Forum are based on theological bases that Sunday is a

Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

(Ed Note—While Drew Pearson is on a brief vacation, the Washington Merry-Go-Round is being written by his old partner, Robert S. Allen.)

Hot Potato

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TWO HUNDRED miles from the Columbia River from the flourishing city the Army engineers are building the great new power and flood control dam that will cost, when completed, nearly a quarter of a billion dollars. At the site, it will be called McNary Dam.

The late Senator Charles L. McNary of Oregon, Republican, was minority leader in the Senate through the New Deal years. On development of hydro-electric power with Federal money, McNary always voted with the New Deal.

When he was running as Vice-presidential candidate with Wendell Wilkie in 1940, McNary's strong views on public power were the subject of a series of articles in Oregon. It was said that if Wilkie wanted to abate the power issue, taking the McNary route, he could find an able and informed opponent in his running mate.

The vast Columbia River power built by the Army engineers is being built. That is a fact which no one can dispute. Almost a billion dollars have been expended in favor of the power and Harold S. G. Thomas, chief engineer of the McNary campaign, they promised to support any very housewife's whim.

But who is to be done with this vast reservoir of power is somewhat of a mystery. It is one that touches high politics both in government and industry.

Actually the religious Sabbath is Saturday, based on the Biblical meaning of the term. The Hebrews, of course, established it as such, based on Deut. 5:14. The seventh day is a Sabbath unto the Lord thy God.

Joseph & Stewart Also Fears Diminish

THE complete uncertainty hanging over the Berlin negotiations is illustrated by a single simple fact: The most realistic estimate of the Western Ambassadors with Constantinople was expected to produce a series of announcements, in order to be made by the State Department.

Economics

THE Public Affairs Institute is being swamped with requests for its latest brochure, titled "Pacts on Inflation." The current price of steel is soaring toward a new production record.

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