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Handwriting on the Wall

The following editorial was selected by North Carolina Press Association judges as the best editorial appearing in a daily newspaper in this state last year.

THREE important Supreme Court decisions this week have thrown away at the structure of actual segregation without actually demolishing it.

All three test suits were brought by Negroes. One plaintiff provided the separate seating facilities for whites and Negroes on railroad dining cars.

ELMER W. HENDERSON is a Washington Negro. In 1942 he was a member of the President's Committee on Fair Employment Practices.

THE Texas and Oklahoma cases fall into a different category. They arose from public school segregation institutions and provisions are not so much within the province of the Federal Government as was the Henderson interstate commerce case.

WE are devoting so much space to this topic today because we think it is of paramount importance.

IN RULING with the plaintiffs in each of these actions, the Supreme Court weakened the foundation of the segregation structure, but left it standing.

THE Henderson case fell in the realm of interstate commerce, clearly the province of the Federal Government.

"Equal facilities, if separate, are rarely equal, even in a physical sense."

THE Supreme Court, however, stuck to the specific point before it, the action of the Interstate Commerce Act.

FROM THE Asheville Citizen

OPERATION HABERDASHERY

AIR FORCE men in their natty blue uniforms are the cynosure of many eyes (many of them feminine eyes).

It costs the Interior Department \$13.39 in processing costs to buy a 30-cent magazine.

Difference in viewpoints Vital to Korean Problems

By JOSEPH & STEWART ALSOP

ONE OF THE chief responsibilities of the State Department is to lead in a grand alliance in trying to understand what makes the world tick.

But take the case of the British. The British control about three-quarters of the air bases we must use, in event of war.

First of all, Britain is a small, crowded island, just off the coast of the British land mass.

None of this means that the British are any less patriotic or any more patriotic than we are.

Job of Secretary of State Fraught With Frustration

MARQUIS W. CHILDS

THE Secretary of State enjoys a unique position in our government.

It is from "The Education of Henry Adams" that we borrow an apt analogy written by Henry Adams.

There are some parallels with the situation today. The then Russian ambassador to Washington was complaining with Congress and lobbying for favorable public opinion.

ATTACK IS USUAL. Except in quiet periods when the Secretary of State has been in the limelight, he has been in the limelight.

Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

WASHINGTON

MOBILIZATION Boss Charles Wilson is ready to clamp down price and wage controls within two weeks.

Dissecting Taft. The Senator was verbally dissecting Sen. Robert D. Taft.

Industrial Targets. IN the haste to expand war production, the Government is paying no attention to dispersal but is throwing up new



News From The Capital

Hoey Cool To Wherry Resolution

WASHINGTON. By TOM SCHLESINGER, Charlotte News Special Writer

THE Senate will get a chance to vote on sending American divisions to Europe as part of General Dwight D. Eisenhower's international army next week.

Senator Hoey bluntly declares himself against sending American troops anywhere outside the continental United States to fight without the consent of Congress.

ALL Congressional offices last week began to feel the shiver of excitement on the drafting of 18-year-olds.

It's a touchy question for most lawmakers who are not members of the War Department which declares the drafting of married men is only alternative.

HOWEVER, neither North Carolina Senator favors the move at the moment, while Hoey member has been a vocal opponent.

SOME of the Administration's most disputed domestic programs, restated by President Truman in his budget message, appear headed for a dead end.

HOWEVER, at least one Hoey member is in favor of the President's plank, Graham Barden, chairman of the House Committee on Education & Labor.

Shifts In The House

ONE of the toughest questions facing the 82nd Congress is the reorganization of the House of Representatives to conform with population shifts of the last census.

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Rival Newsboys

TWO rival newsboys, taking sides in the Pearson-McCarthy feud, carried on a shouting match on a busy Washington street.

Not to outdone, the boy selling the Washington Post on the same corner shouted back: 'Drew Pearson tells you Senator McCarthy sided Nazi war criminals! Read all about it!'

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It is easy enough to transfer the fourteen seats from nine states that gained the least in population to the state that gained the most.

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