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Editorial Correspondence

EASTER WEEK-END IN THE HOLY LAND

By C. A. MCKNIGHT... Jerusalem—(By Airmail)... The two states of Israel and Jordan are separated by a narrow "no man's land" set off by tangled rolls of barbed wire...

PROPOSALS OF GERMAN



Voting Differences Compared

Kefauver Vs. Russell

By VIC REINEMER... Associate Editor, The News... TWO OF THE four announced candidates for the Democratic Presidential nomination are Southerners, Sen. Estes Kefauver of Tennessee and Sen. Richard Russell of Georgia...

More Agreement In 1951

IN 1951 the two legislators agreed, or were not recorded, on the ten key votes compiled by CQ. Editorial Research Reports compiled 26 "outstanding roll call" votes in 1951, and in them the Senators agreed on sixteen. One or the other was not recorded on seven. They differed on these three issues:

1949 Differences

THEY SPLIT on four of the ten votes in 1949. Senator Kefauver's first year in the upper House.

Senator Russell opposed, Senator Kefauver favored the Mutual Defense Assistance Act of 1949 which provided arms for aid for Atlantic Pact area.

Senator Russell opposed, Senator Kefauver favored the Taft amendment to cut European Recovery Program funds by ten per cent, which was defeated.

Senator Russell opposed, Senator Kefauver favored, the Luce amendment to delete provisions for anti-strike injunctions from a labor control bill, a proposal that generally had the support of the left, the opposition of the right, and was rejected 48 to 44.

In 1950 the two men differed on five of the ten key votes.

Senator Kefauver opposed, Senator Russell favored the Bricker amendment to the Housing Act of 1950, which called for a Federal mortgage corporation and provision for technical assistance and advice to co-operations and non-profit corporations, an amendment which passed.

This enumeration perhaps overemphasizes the two men's differences. It should be remembered that on many vital issues they agree.

However, their differences seem wide enough to permit voters to determine for themselves which man they'd rather see in the White House.

By MARQUIS CHILDS

AFTER THE long uninterrupted seasons of power, the Democratic Party is being subjected to a series of blows from every side. The ice floes are jamming and cracking and the flood waters are rising at every moment.

This is one reason why, despite his earnest insistence that he is not a candidate for the Presidency and will not be, some Democrats cling to him as the hope of the party.

With his highly publicized declaration for Sen. Estes Kefauver, he has considered the possibility of himself beginning to assume the proper stance. After all, he had not been elected to the Senate by both parties nominating Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower for an unprecedented demonstration of national unity.

Thus goes the reasoning of his loyal followers. They would give the ticket not as Kefauver and Douglas, but the other way around.

Whether it is evidence of anything more than his customary willingness to take on tough issues, Douglas has nevertheless stepped into the middle of the steel controversy.

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But it does not follow, as some of the writers say, that profits before taxes are a more important factor in the determination of a bill's fate than the degree of its popularity.

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OUR PUBLICITY-SHY SCHOOL BOARD

RECENTLY the matter of executive sessions has cropped up locally again. This is nothing new—many public bodies here and elsewhere try to conduct the public's business in private. The public, the press and press report usually get by with it.

Last May the City Council finally abandoned its executive sessions. In December the Board of County Commissioners violated the law on the airport runway extension by discussing and voting on the project in executive session.

Legally the Board can hold executive sessions. The State Supreme Court said in Klister vs. Board of Education (233 N. C. 400) that it knew of no statute or decision which prohibits the holding of such sessions.

Guest Editorial

FREEDOM FLOWS FROM FAITH IN GOD

By FATHER CRANOR F. GRAVES... Assistant Pastor, St. Patrick's Catholic Church... THIS IS A SAD AGE in the history of man when the creature must be reminded to give his Maker the worship He deserves.

Our fathers built a unique nation on faith in God. When they declared independence, it was in God's name that they did so.

Here is the real problem—in the souls of those of us who in our hearts believe in God and who recognize our obligation to Him and serve Him, yet do not. We are the unhappy men, the men of woe.

Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round Would-Be 'Nobles' Rush To Paris 'Throne'

(Ed. Note.—This is the last of Drew Pearson's current series of columns on General Eisenhower and his work in Europe.)

WASHINGTON THE rush to get close to the throne has already started in Paris. It always starts with a Presidential candidate, especially a prospective winner, and with it it started earlier than ever. His office is deluged with newsmen, magazine-writers, barons of big business, political agitators, old friends and others who want to be close to the man they think will be the next President of the U.S.A.

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At Heart A Pacifist

ANOTHER paradoxical thing about Eisenhower is that he who was the most vocal of all the war-time pacifists, a mother was a pacifist. She even became a member of Jehovah's Witnesses, a sect so crushing in its pacifism that some members died.

Unquestionably, his inherits some of his mother's passion for peace. To know this is not strange in a soldier, the man who knew what war was like.

It would also be militant in his championship of racial and religious minorities. I don't know how he stands on the issue of Communism, but it seems to me that there isn't a question where his heart stands on the general issue.

Regarding the rest of the ramified field of domestic problems, I suspect that Ike has a great deal to learn and to unlearn. I think I would like to see him bump his head many times. I suspect he does. Just

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General Lanham promptly sat on that, and so did Ike later.

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