

THE CHARLOTTE NEWS

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GRAND LARCENY IN TEXAS

OE ALSOPS sastch-by-enatch description of the Great Theft in Texas is worth your reading. It shows, more clearly than anything seve yet seen, why the people's will may not overall at the forthcoming national convenions. It illustrates how dishonest and disrepions. It illustrates how dishonest and disrep-table party hacks can steal a precinct or convention right out from under the nose of amjority. And it largely explains why so namy good people don't want to dirty their ands in the muck of low-grade partisan

nellitet.
The Alsop picture is not new, of course, nor sit complete. Drew Pearene's column yearing described other thefts is the current statle for convention delegates. And Dr. Lessander Heard, in his recordity-published nook, A Two-Perty South? has painted a nook and the them of the tight little personal organisms and of the tight little personal organisms.

ations they run.

Heard's analysis boils down to the concluon that Republican Party leaders in the neparty South, with a few notable excep-

tions, don't want to win elections. To win elections, they would have to put up good candidates, and good candidates wouldn't stand for the shenanigans of the party bosses. stand for the shenanizant of the party bosses. To win elections, they would have to enlarge their organizations, and bigger organizations would cost them their control. To win elections, they would have to quit the cherished cash-end-carry method of selling themselves to Presidential candidates, and back the best vote-getter.

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There are hopeful signs that a new trend is in the making. The mass popular sentiment for General Elsenbewer is threatening for the property of the state of the South New Leaders are emerging, leaders who are willing and able to inform the people, to arouse them, to channel their energies into effective action against the satchelvote system of pledging convention delegates. The people's will was subverted in Texas, but the handwriting is on the wall for those Diric Republican bosses intelligent enough to read it.

HAMILTON'S THREAT HAS A HOLLOW SOUND

AM NOT GUILTY until proven so," shouted Imperial Wizard Thomas L. Ham-in at a Klan rally in South Carolina.

There was no sea of faces before him, only puddle. For the hate-mongering, self-ighteous group he heads has taken a licking in recent weeks, and the fools who once followed him are not so enthusiastic.

It was grimly ironical that the Wizard hould plant himself firmly on the tradition merican justice that presumes a man ent until his guilt is established. The Klan has never observed the tradition at its own "kargaroo courts". It drags its victims from their homes in the dead of night and ignores their protests as it metes out its cruel punishment.

But Wizard Hamilton will get the pro-

Unlike Klan victims, he will be tried in

open court.
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Unlike Klan victims, he was be tried by a duly-constituted jury.
Unlike Klan victims, he will go free if his guilt is not established.
But that is not enough for the Wirard. To these guarantees, he added a threat calculated to intimidate witnesses:

"And any man who gets or the stand and lies about me . . . I'll never forget that man and neither will the people of this organiza-tion (the Klau)," he told his audience.

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The threat will fail. Hamilton will intimidate no one. The recent trials at Wilmington and Whiteville ripped off the Klain's well of mystery and exposed it for the miserable organization it is. No longer feared, the Klain is now held in the contempt bred by familiarity.

THE SENIORITY (SENILITY) SYSTEM

SIX HUNDRED Charlotte postal workers weren't paid this week because of the

gress.

Appropriations to pay postal workers have been spent. No more money for them has been appropriated chiefly because doddering old Sen. Kenneth McKellar of Tennessee, chairman of the Senste Appropriations Committee, was for a long time too feeble to hold hearings and too cantankerous to let anyone else take over the chair.

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hold hearings and too cantankerous to let anyone site late over the chair.

Occasionally the seniority system provides a committee with the best available chairman. But it sometimes leaves a committee leaderless, often provides a poor leader, and never permits the committee members to choose their chairman.

A committee member moves up the list through the years and automatically becomes, and the committee of the contract of t

who had equal service.

North Carolina's Sen. Rob Reynolds was opposed to the policies and actions upon which this country and Congress embarked during World War II, but continued as head of the powerful Military Affairs Committee because of seniority.

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because of seniority.

The late Sen. Carter Glass had a distinguished record of public service, but was physically unable for more than three years to attend a session of the Senate, or the vital

Senate Appropriations Committee he headed. Congress only touched the surface of Con-Congress only touched the surface of Congressional unvieldiness with the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946. If the seniority (or it could be called the "senility" system were replaced with one by which majority and minority committee members elect their leaders by secret ballot, opportunities for better leadership and better legislation world.

As long as Congress runs its own house so inefficiently, it will be responsible for much of the waste and indecision its members decry.

STEEL SOLUTION?

FEDERAL Judge Harold R. Medina decreed an unprecedented change of venue the other day when he took his court and 40 lawyers from an involved anti-trust trial to Ebbets Field.

the Giants.

A defense attorney sat on one side of the Judge. A Government attorney sat on the other. Everyone, reportedly, bad a big time. We believe Judge Medina's example should be followed by other jurists. We particularly wish Chief Justice Vinson would take Phil Murray of the Steleworkers and Ben Fairless of U. S. Steel to watch the Pittsburgh Pirates. Measur, Murray and Fairless are both resulting the property and Fairless and the property and Fairless are the property and Fairless an

Then, rising as one-to protest a strike they might be susceptible to a judicious suggestion from the Chief Justice that they put this striking agreement into writing, and thus take the Court off the hook.

Oh, well, we can dream anyhow.

From The St. Louis Post-Dispatch

ANOTHER JUNKET FINDS WASTE

NOTHER Congressional committee, this one headed by Representative Bonner of th Carolina, has retold a now familiar

tory.

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The first part of the story is that the committee finds waste in milltary spending, and urges a lightening up of the unification act to bring about economies in supply.

The second part of the story is that the committee reached its conclusions after making a 4-day trip sround the world, most of it by air. In the story is the story is the story of estimating what that junicity could be supplyed to the story of estimating what that junicity cost the tampeyers, but whatever the figure may be there is a strong presumption that it represents waste in Government expenditures.

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Was it really necessary, efter all, for the Bonner committee to travel all the way around the world to discover a few facts that have already been discovered by various committees elitting in Washington. Just what upseal full minister does committee get out of circling the globe, figing from one base to smokes for rapid-fire imprecion tours and conferences, which it would not get out of a solve study of the same subject at homest a possess of the second of the se

Senator Wiley of Wisconsin and his bride recently flew to Europe at Government expense, their journey being certified by Secretary Lovett as. "in the national interest." No doubt the Bonner committee regarded its own around-the-world voyage as "in the national interest" But a greet many taxpayers who are picking up the tab will have Naother world for it.

I can't believe Trumsn is considering elvorce proceedings but he did say he acid
to live the next ten years of his life just as
he dammed pleased—and just to think—the
family seems so devoted—Petham (Ga.)
Journal.

There is more truth than humor in the advice of a London physician on how to live to a ripe old age: "If you want to live long, get a good chronic disease—and take good care of yourself."—Rock Hill (S. C.) Hereld.

The Inside Story Of Texas Theft

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People's Platform

Letters should be brief. The writers name and address must be given, but may be withheld from publication in the discretion of the Editor. The News reserves the right to condense.

Why Change Feature Page?

Editors, Ten News:

JUST knew that, given time, you people would mess up your conveniently arranged paper so that readers, such as I, who enjoy your paper most by reading from back to front, would find things all juggled and cockeys the translation of the such that the translation is the result of the such that the translation is the result of the such that the su

Liked Graham Address

Editors, The News:

THANK you for the opportunity of reading D.:

E. K. Graham's address, and for your perceptive editorial. I hope it will set off a chain reaction and shall be watching your paper for full coverage, de-MRS, DAN HOOD

More About Hospitals

Editors, The News:

I HAVE just read Wm. C. McIntire's letter in which he panned a Charlotte hospital for falling to give sid to a patient before the patient's bill had been guaranteed.

been guaranteed.

My personal experience with this hospital has been very favorable. However, like Mr. McIntire, I know of an instance, recently, in which a friend of mine was refused treatment until her bill was guaranteed. This lady was on her way to the hospital when sae had a miscarriage. She was in severe pain and in a state of emotional shock. A good while later, the hospital sutherities discovered that she and her hospital was used to be a state of emotional shock. As she had her hospital sutherities discovered that she and her hospital sutherities discovered that she and her hospital sutherities discovered that she and her hospital sutherities discovered that she had her hospital sutherities discovered that he had her ha

Let's not permit isolated examples of mistakes,

if that is what it is, permit us to overlook the good our institutions do.

JOHN O. WEST JR.

Liquor Stores An Evil

Editors, THE News:

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THE Christian men and women now have an opportunity to go out and vote for Hubert Olive,
ho is against liquor. These liquor stores are tempting the youth of our state. Wives and mothers are
the chief sufferers.

ONE WHO HATES LIQUOR

Mecklenburg's Sorry GOP Machine

MATTHEWS

Mecklenburg's Sorry GOP Machine Editors, The News:

I NOTE that somebody has written a piece, or a given an interview, for Mr. Clay Leffer. In it are brought matters that are to be decided in the are brought matters that are to be decided in the sound of the sound

ABOUT JUNE BUGS AND SUCH

(Rocky Nount Telegram)

DOWN IN Tampa, "In, "
other day the editor of her
Tribune started to tell his readers the definition of a June bug,
after having noticed a query in
a question and answer column.

But he got far away from June
bugs for a time faid resized as
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back fond, memorites to many of
our citizens at least middle-aged
and older.

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The editor says that somehow or other it hadn't occurred to him that there are people in the South who never tied a length of Mom's sewing thread to the hind leg of a June bug and watched the silly captive fly listelf to exhaustion.

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barn;
Or bagged a careless rabbit with a silraghot stone;
Or scrabbled for Indian arrowheads in a fresh-ploughed field;
Or squirreled up a vine-hung sweet gum tree to pluck the tempting muscadine;

tempting muscadine;
Or savored the warm sweetness
of wild blackberries which lost
their way twits hand and pail;
Or ventured with jacknife and
the ready, to explore the ansaty
dimmess of a limestone cave;
Or thrilled at the ugly face of
the first catfish yanked from the
creek on the night's trol. line;
Or perched on the taligate of
a plodding wagon and wrigifed
bare toes in the sand of a shady
lane;

desperate duels with chinaberry populus around a corner of the part;
Or bagged a careless rabbit with a silurabot stone:

Or acbed through the ritual of freeing the Sunday ice cream, sustained by the promise of scraping the richly-crusted paddic.

These things all go with June bugs because June bugs go with Summer, Just as ham gravy goes with grits.

Then the Florida editor remembered that he started out to tell somebody what a June bug is. Here's what Mr. Noah Webster

Here's what Mr. Noah Webster says: "In the Northern U. S., any of several species of large brown melonthine beetles (genus Phyl-lophaga and related genral which begin to fly about the first of June. In the Southern Ur. S., the fige-aster." That's all a June bug means to Mr. Webster.

And Dislikes What He Sees By ROBERT C. RUARK

Ruark Takes A Look At Golf

CONTRARY TO LAW

Taking the left arm stiffly back on the swing is contrary to all laws of human coordination. If they attract out on a child with a stiff-arm business, he would wind up left-handed, stutiering, a n d. ma with an az someday. But they try to inflict is on adults, with much the same result.

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rules in the Summer is as foolish as sacoting craps against yourself with a pair of wrist-heavy dice. With the exception of a lovely lady named Pengy—please leave this in, please, please, Mr. Copyreader, or I'm ruined — most lady gollers take on the more abyamal characteristics of the sport. Even off the fairway they have a sort of grim-faced, spraddie - legged, flat-

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(From Business Week)
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All four entrants are imported.
Babbits arrived in 1788, five
strong, on a continent where
few natural enemies disturbed
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count at 2 billion.
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Novel Way To Solve A 'Security' Problem

Under The Dome

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lands oil sway from the Federal Government. In the end, Long Beach didn't bits.

While his assistant was still negotiating for the deal, Senator Malone asked friendly questions of the Long Beach representatives while they were testifying before his bits, after Long Beach didn't go for Whitehurst, Malone became quite emphatic about keeping tifelanghe oil under the Federal Government and sway from California. Libraria his continue of the Senate California Libraria his continue of the Senate California Chief Calif

Moscow Won't Print It

HERE is news that the Moscow radio will never carry-free first Negro delegation to a Democratic conven-tion in North Carlians was seated recently in New Ham-ticon in North Carlians was seated recently in New Ham-ticon in North Carlians was rested recently in New Ham-ticon in New York (New York) was not to the Republic of the the Bernhardt Furniture Carlians (A. 1997) was not to the Bernhardt Imm donated furniture, the employees put up 3100, and Nagro enhoot children raised \$14 to re-centabilities for Kinds in his new home.