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HAPPY JULY 4TH (AND 5TH, TOO) WE HOPE

TODAY and tomorrow countless thousands of Carolinians will take to the highways, looking for pleasure. Some of them won't come back.

Day holidays. In the last six years, 8,596 accidents have been killed in holiday highway accidents—almost three times as many as died at Pearl Harbor.

NEW DEFINITION OF 'REGULAR' REPUBLICANS

ON TUESDAY the Taft-controlled Republican National Committee voted to take the "regular" pro-Taft delegation from Florida.

fight for their being seated in Chicago. Yesterday Mr. Sommers took a run-out powder. He took no part in the committee's deliberations.

PITY THE POOR SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER

THE LIFE of a school board member is never a pleasant one, at best. He serves without pay. He spends a lot of days and evenings on school business when he'd like to be doing something else.

BOARD MEMBER

requests from people living outside the city limits who wanted to send their children to those city schools. The School Board ordered Elizabeth and Alexander Graham Junior High, where there is some vacant space, but that didn't mollify the indignant parents.

GOP HASSLE OPENS SILLY SEASON

WE'RE THOUGHT for some days now that the silly season was upon us, but not until we read a story by Mr. Frederick yesterday's News were we sure beyond doubt.

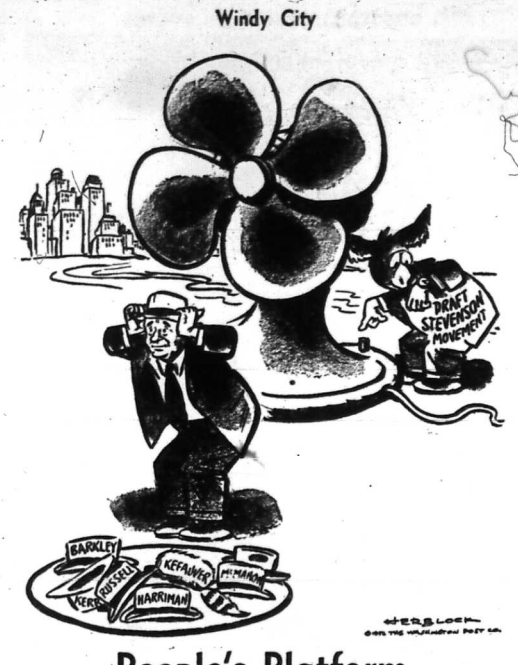
IN THIS DISTRICT

- 1. The Republicans have the best candidate they've had in years in Charles Raper Jones, and he should be shouting from the housetops about him.
2. The Democrats are going to be stirred up anyway by the Presidential election. Mr. Lamb's foray won't stir them up any more.
3. It would help the prestige of the Republican Party in the 10th District if the national party would openly and vigorously support Mr. Jones' campaign.

HARRIMAN'S CAMPAIGN ENDANGERS MSA

W AVERELL HARRIMAN is administrator for the Mutual Security Program. He is also a candidate for the Democratic nomination for the Presidency.

Harriman has a right to his political views. He has a right to state them as vigorously as he pleases. But the office he holds is not his own. He has accepted it as a public trust.



Windy City Taftman Hurja Also Foresaw Wins For Wilkie And Dewey

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People's Platform

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

Pat On The Back Dept.

Editors, The News: I would like to use your columns to say thanks I to the City Engineering Dept. and other city officials, including Mayor Victor Shaw, for tarring and graveling Parsons St. All the residents on Parsons St. are very grateful to the City for the wonderful job it did in fixing this street, which needed it very badly.

of our present system. The only reason we still follow it can be charged to rotten political machinery, paid and hired by powerful lobbies in Washington.

Note Of Appreciation

Editors, The News: I WANT you and all your readers to know that I appreciate deeply the strong and helpful support of The Charlotte News, editorially and otherwise, in connection with my candidacy for the Democratic nomination for the office of Associate Justice of the Supreme Court.

Under UMT, everybody would be treated alike. They ought to serve at least from 12 to 18 months. The pay should be very small as it is a duty we owe to our country.

Taft And UMT

Editors, The News: I have heard on the line for years through advertised Universal Military Training as the only safe and economical way to defend this country.

Soothsayers And Hindsight

Editors, The News: It is beginning to be exceedingly annoying—this egotism and self-satisfaction of political candidates. Now that certain attempts to solve our problems have been made and proved not to be the perfect solution, these seers can forecast the past and tell us those were errors of judgment, and sometimes they even intimate they were inadequate.

Quote Unquote

Hold On! (Asheville Citizen) In all probability the Chicago office of the United States Weather Bureau is a laughing stock. Tracking that is, or predicting the weather so as to "bridge the gap between theory and fact."

The constant abuse of the Vail Agreements illustrates the weather Bureau in the eyes of candidates. If different agreements had been made, they also might have proved unsatisfactory.

Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

THE NOES—There's been less gloom around Eisenhower headquarters than the mass media drum, drum, look happier, think like has made inroads for Taft delegates.

Ike Headquarters Getting More Cheerful

Scotty Brown of New York Times, Fred Collins of Providence Journal, and a lot of other newspaper news magazines were invited. Naturally they hit the ceiling. Harry Luce, Time-Life publisher, hearing about the new campaign, remarked to McKinley that the Denver Post "I'll call up my man, Ed Darby, and find out what happened."

CHICAGO Taftman Hurja Also Foresaw Wins For Wilkie And Dewey

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That naturally, it welcome news to Senator Taft and he used it as the basis of his own victory prediction on the floor of the television program.

U.S. National Anthem Abused By Cheap, Shoddy Promoters

APART from being stuck into acute boredom of all bad prize fighters who take the name of Rocky, the substance of it is a lie. I imagine quite a lot of us are weary of the sanctified pretensions to what is at maximum the fight between two professionals.

Baseball has been among the most played and things got out of hand. This tenner appeal to love the country was supposed to quell the country, but it has not.

Patriotism, like religion, lives without the man, and may be spoiled by commercialism. It is a thing for people who make a profession of it.

Flaw-wearing is a slang term of today, stemming from an old theatrical bit that demanded the speedy

of Oklahoma. Long of Louisiana and Moody of Michigan are in the hot Kefauver-Harriman primary in the District of Columbia, where the Democratic Party has a strong showing.

Strom Thurmond, Dixiecrat candidate for President in '48 this year will be a delegate at Chicago. . . . Spry and Hays are working quietly to head off any Dixiecrat bolts.

The Mississippi delegation appears the most mutinous. . . . The hot Kefauver-Harriman primary in the District of Columbia, where the Democratic Party has a strong showing.

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and Dewey Short of Missouri. . . . It calls for a combat bonus in Korea similar to that paid in World War II, also similar to that paid to the G.I. crew and airman for extra pay.

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