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STRATEGY SESSIONS IN STATESVILLE



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Republicans figure they've got a better than fair chance of winning a couple of North Carolina Congressional seats this year—in the Nineth and Tenth Districts. Here, Willey Johnson (left) of Sparta, GOP candidate in the Ninth, confers in Statesville with Clyde Greene of Boone, one of the Republicans' state leaders. (Special, one photo by Ed Boyd.)

But Party Puts Up A Solid Front

By TOM FESPERMAN  
Charlotte News Writer  
STATESVILLE—Some of those Republican wounds are healing slowly. The GOP in North Carolina is putting up a beautiful campaign front, getting set for a routing vote-getting spree on behalf of Eisenhower; but conversations with individual Republican leaders here give a reporter the definite impression that:

- 1. A number of influential Republicans are still wishing Taft could get that nomination.
2. Some of them think the Democrats pulled one of the smartest political stunts of the century in putting Adlai Stevenson under the stars and stripes.
3. Many of them believe the Republicans are going to do a good day's work if they get any electoral votes in the South.
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Mecklenburg's Keystone In GOP Congress Drive

STATESVILLE — The North Carolina Republican Party is going to concentrate much of its effort in winning the Tenth District Congressional seat this year, and it's going to make Mecklenburg County the key battleground. That was made plain here when a group of Tenth District leaders met with Charles Raper Jones of Lincolnton, the nominee for Congress.

OUR WEATHER

Considerable cloudiness, warm and humid this afternoon, to light and tomorrow and scattered afternoon and evening showers. Expected high today 85 degrees. Low tonight 70 degrees. Low temperature this morning 70 degrees. 5:37 A. M.; sunset, 7:20 P. M. More Weather Data on Page 3-B

LIGHTNING, THE MAGICIAN  
What happens when lightning strikes? It all depends on what is struck—the conductor through which the lightning bolts pass to the ground. In some cases, lightning is a P.P.P. (P.P.P. forms disappearing tricks). A fine wire, completely ungrounded, will be completely unharmed by lightning bolts which are discharged from a vapor. A copper wire changed to a vapor. A copper wire may be blown as copper gas through the wire's insulation, without a scorch or other signs of damage. All that is left is the insulation—the wire has vanished without a trace.

President's Congress Term

BY STEEL STRIKE Defense Program Set Back Year

WASHINGTON (AP)—A defense mobilization report, considered before it was published, says 25 million man-days of work were lost in the steel strike, knocking military production a whole year off its stride.

The report to President Truman was made by Acting Defense Mobilization John R. Steelman, who released excerpts after deleting secret data. Steelman estimated 25 million man-days of work slipped by during the idleness of 600,000 working steel workers. Stoppages in steel-using industries before the 64-day strike was settled boosted this total of idle to perhaps 1,400,000 men.

The effects of the steel stoppage will be felt heavily for the next three to six months, Steelman said, and will not be completely worked out of the military production program for an entire year.

STEEL PRODUCTION—He added that the impact will delay the planned program to step up production of many major items a few weeks to several months. This year will be about 90 million tons, 14 per cent below 1951 and 10 per cent below 1949.

PLANE MISSING—A U. S. Navy Mariner plane with thirteen people aboard was missing tonight on a patrol flight. Headquarters of Rear Adm. Richard E. Taylor, fleet commander in the Philippines, said a wide search was launched for the plane late today but the hunt was halted temporarily by darkness.

Rains In East, South Too Late To Save Crops

By The Associated Press  
Drought-tracking rains splashed down Wednesday on New England and the South—too late to save nearly a billion dollars worth of burned out crops and pastures. But the moisture was a timely life-saver for corn, tobacco, cotton and vegetable crops still surviving in these drought-ridden areas.

Greeks Fire On Bulgarians

ATHENS, Greece (AP)—Greek troops opened fire this morning on Bulgarian soldiers on the Greek-claimed border island of Gamma, in the Evros River, the Greek general staff announced today. The communist's campaign planning session yesterday, he was placed on the Campaign Steering Committee. He goes up to make some comments about the plans for a state campaign headquarters to be opened in Charlotte.

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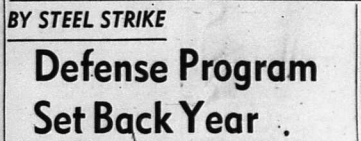
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Comic Dictionary

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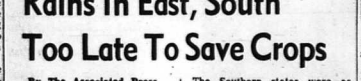
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TAVERN WORKER TAKES AVERSION TO DEMON RUM

BAYONNE, N. J.—William McGraw, a barkeep of the old school, wiped a tear from his eyes today and poured 150 bottles of good drin'kin' whiskey down the drain.

Sandy Jordan To Quit Post On City Council

Councilman Sandy R. Jordan will soon be dropping the title of Councilman. He's moved out of town and in another four months will have to offer his resignation as a member of the City Council.



Cuban Policemen Given Sentences

HAVANA Cuba (AP)—A military court sentenced five policemen today to four years and two months imprisonment each on charges of plotting against the government of President Fulgencio Batista.

Trouble Begins

IT WAS the application for citizenship that led to Latvia's troubles. He testified before immigration officials at that time that he had joined the Communist party in the urging of party leaders because



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