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Eisenhower Should Be Re-Elected To The Presidency On His Record

The News believes the re-election of President Dwight D. Eisenhower is essential for the continued welfare of the country.

We have come to this conclusion after a review of the administration's record and after giving due consideration to Adlai Stevenson's recognized standing as a man of ability and character.

At the same time, we feel as we did four years ago when we expressed the conviction that Gen. Eisenhower would prove to be a strong leader and bring to our nation a sustained program of peace and prosperity as well as greater respect for the office of president.

LOOKING back over the period since Mr. Eisenhower was inaugurated Jan. 20, 1953, we know that our original faith in him as well as our appraisal of his qualifications for the presidency have not only been confirmed but substantially enhanced by his achievements both at home and abroad.

To sum up, the Eisenhower record is one of outstanding achievements of the Eisenhower administration, the record shows clearly that the President has:

Brought us peace without the stigma of appeasement. Prosperity without catapulting us into another war.

Progress without the encouragement of socialism. However vulnerable the Eisenhower record is to criticism on various counts, the over-all results are most impressive.

MANY of our readers will remember what Dwight D. Eisenhower said in his Labor Day speech during the campaign in 1952. He declared in part: 'If I should be the next President of our country, it will be my aim to conduct that office that, at the end of my service, each of you can honestly say these words: "He has been fair, he has been my friend, he has not coerced us with laws nor divided us by class, but has fostered mutual respect, understanding and goodwill. He has led us forward along the broad middle way toward prosperity that way for ourselves and our children."'

Who can deny that the President has lived up to this promise to all the people?

LET US pinpoint some of his achievements in a more detailed fashion.

As Gen. Eisenhower promised in his campaign for the presidency, he ended the Korean War in July of 1953. Since that date not a single American soldier has either died or been wounded in combat. This is a proud record in waging peace instead of war.

In the United States we have enjoyed unprecedented prosperity during the Eisenhower administration. Although the federal payroll has wisely been cut by 300,000 jobs, private employment in industry and commerce is at an all-time high. Wages and take-home pay have also reached record heights. The building of homes and highways has shown notable progress and enriched our total welfare.

Many members of both political parties, looking objectively at the new moral tone in Washington, welcome the fact that Mr. Eisenhower drew the curtain on "cronyism." In fact, he has made citizens of all political shades feel that a new security of honesty and integrity has been injected into the veins of our federal government.

This newspaper commends Mr. Eisenhower and his associates for having adopted a philosophy of not spending more than the government can take in. The federal budget was brought into balance in 1956 and definite plans have been made to keep it in balance in 1957. The rise in the national debt has been halted. In fact, the budget surplus of \$1,754,000,000 on July 1, 1956, was used to make a modest payment on the tremendously large U. S. debt.

One of the most laudable achievements of the Eisenhower administration has been to reverse a 20-year trend toward the centralization of power in Washington. This has greatly reduced the amount of government competition with industry and has further encouraged private enterprise. The administration has also recognized states rights in many new areas including the restoration of tidelands to the states.

Another notable accomplishment was the creation of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare. This was the first new federal department in 40



Dwight D. Eisenhower

years and the President appointed Mrs. Oveta Culp Hobby to head the agency.

During the past four years the administration has increased labor benefits and reduced labor strife. Under President Eisenhower the record shows that union labor as well as unorganized labor have enjoyed remarkable progress from an economic standpoint.

In the management of our international affairs we have felt at times that our secretary of state, John Foster Dulles, has been "muddling through" one crisis after another without solving in a permanent fashion the recurring dilemmas facing our State Department. However, to Mr. Dulles' credit we must admit that he has kept us out of war in Indochina and his actions in the Suez dispute have had a sobering effect on what already might have been an all-out war with Col. Nasser of Egypt.

AS WE indicated four years ago in our editorial espousing the candidacy of Mr. Eisenhower, we still feel that the enormous prestige of the President throughout the world is a vital factor in our continuing leadership of the free world.

We said four years ago that Gen. Eisenhower would be better able than Mr. Stevenson to weld the world together so firmly that no threat will part the seams.' Today, despite some reservations about Mr. Dulles, we still hold to this early conviction. We have sustained faith in Mr. Eisenhower's ability to keep us on an even course, however stormy the international waters may become.

The administration of our foreign affairs, the solution of the ever-present farm problem, the control of atomic energy, the disarmament question—these are but a few of the areas in which there is plenty of room for healthy debate and constructive criticism. However, when Mr. Stevenson recently advocated the end of the draft we were shocked and felt that his judgment in this matter might make him unworthy to be the custodian of our national security.

AS FOR Mr. Eisenhower's team-mate, Mr. Richard M. Nixon, now only 43 years old, no vice president has ever worked so industriously or been so well trained for the presidency through the many and important assignments given him by the President. Mr. Nixon, furthermore, has shown great courage. He demonstrated these virtues in his leadership of the case against Alger Hiss as well as in carrying out the tasks given to him by Mr. Eisenhower.

It must be said, however, that the accomplishments of Mr. Stevenson's running mate, Estes Kefauver, are also significant. He has been particularly effective in efforts to unite the Atlantic Community.

ONE OF THE shining realities of our time has been the fact that President Eisenhower's appeal to the American people has been his ability to be far bigger and broader than the leader of one political party. Thousands upon thousands of solid Democrats crossed party lines to vote for Mr. Eisenhower four years ago. To assure his election on Nov. 6 these same Democrats are urged to vote for him again.

From The Wall Street Journal

THE CHAMPION SPEECH MAKER

NO PRESIDENTIAL candidate has ever equaled the speech making marathons of William Jennings Bryan.

In his 1896 campaign against William McKinley, he created a world's record by speaking 19 times in one day with a daily wordage total of between 60,000 and 100,000. Again opposing McKinley in 1900, he broke his own record by speaking 21 times in a day. And in 1908, against William Howard Taft, he set an all-time mark with 36 long speech-

es within 24 hours. Traveling on slow-moving trains, Bryan slept only three hours a night, waking at 5 a.m. to work more than 20 hours at speaking, writing or giving interviews. He insisted upon being awakened at any time people gathered at stations along the route. To maintain strength, he ate six meals a day. At night, he rubbed down his giant body with gin, at the same time exhorting his aides against internal use of alcohol.

People's Platform

Hodges Under Fire For 'Get Jonas' Campaign

Charlotte

Editors, The News: A RECENTLY as early August, when Gov. Hodges wanted to be sure that the Public School Amendment would be passed, he asked me to serve on his committee, as a Republican. I accepted his appointment because I felt, as he said he did, that the interests of our state could best be served by the bipartisan approach. Now, however, it has become a party race is on, he is saying constantly and vehemently that only a true party line Democrat can be of any assistance to North Carolina. Surely such a variance of opinion on his part lacks consistency and dignity. The point of real disillusionment for many of the discerning citizens of this district is that our governor should so demean his office, as to use it for petty political purposes.

As governor they feel that he is charged with the responsibility of representing all of his people be they Democrats, Republicans or Independents.

They do not feel that he is charged with the responsibility of dictating to the citizens of North Carolina, or more specifically, the Tenth District, how they shall vote. They feel quite competent to choose their own representative.

It is indeed a sad day when our General Assembly creates new ballot laws and our governor uses his high office to "get" our one Republican congressman, Charles Hodges, who has done such a superb job, and who was also, like Gov. Hodges, the choice of the people.

—KATE B. DE CAMP

Why Vote To Defeat The State's Builders?

Charlotte

Editors, The News: SMITHIE ago a news collection for had saying that the Mecklenburg Board went to the dogs just because they, as we take it, attended the dog show. Well, what if they did? They had the privilege to choose what and where they wish to be. So if they did go, as charged, dog company is very good in some cases and the dogs may have been Democrats.

I believe the County Board is Democratic. In August the Republicans went to the ball game in Frisco, with an armful of gavels and came out with long-handled shovels and have been spreading ball from coast to coast. They are taking long periods or waiting for long shovels or spread material. They appear to have a full supply of ball around Mecklenburg County and some up in the top of the Tenth District.

We can not take any long chances on what those big fronts put out, for you cannot depend on them. We can check on them after November 6. Why vote to defeat those who built North Carolina? Can you read back to 1861 and 1865 and see where old North Carolina was and why?

—S. C. VAUGHN

This Switch Voter Goes All The Way

Charlotte

Editors, The News: YES, I am a switch voter. And this time they can blame it on the North Carolina General Assembly. If they were mean enough to use trickery just to keep one man from being re-elected then I am mean enough to go against them all the way. And to make sure that we vote for Charles Raper Jones, my wife and I will mark our state ballot straight Republican. For the Tenth District will never send the man to Congress than Mr. Jones.

—W. M. BURGE

Ike Gave Us Peace; Democrats Made War

Charlotte

Editors, The News: WE have had almost four years of peace and prosperity under the Republican Eisenhower administration. It would be foolish to turn the reins of government over to the war party again. The three last Democratic administrations each gave us a war and hundreds of thousands of our boys lost their lives.

What does Stevenson have that the nation needs? Ever since he

Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

WASHINGTON

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ministration in 1952 he has criticized everything the Republicans have done. How can any service or ex-service man vote for a party that can't keep us out of war?

Roosevelt stuffed the Supreme Court with New Dealers and that is why we are in the mess we have over segregation. The Republicans have done nothing but keep us enjoying peace and prosperity for the first time in a good many years. A lot of people don't like our party that's why they don't like us. Let's keep the party in control of people who know how to run the country.

—PARKS A. YANDLE

Today's Sports Stars Not Short On Talent

Charlotte

Editors, The News: YOU are a prime example of a man passing over the hill with his wits about him.

Your Oct. 8 column states among other meanderings that the stars of today are not gold-plated heroes of yore but in-plat-fakes.

Even you would not have had the brass to write that editorial if your paper had gone to press two hours later — after learning of Don Larsen, who pitched the perfect game and was ridden reverse pizzy-back off the diamond. By then I'll bet you have listed the ranks of Speaker Joe Martin and others who "wish I hadn't said that."

I rather think you are over the hill on the annals of sports heroes.

You remind me of the elderly couple, one of which said, "There's been so much counting nowadays as there used to be." The other answered, "Oh, yes, there's a good counting, but another's so much counting, but another's so much counting."

It's just another crowd doing the heroic athletics and apparently another crowd enjoying it.

—GRAHAM C. REICH Editors' Note: Piffle. Reich missed the point. We paid due tribute to the manual laborer of the new breed. "Athletically, the performance of today's stars is magnificent." What we are grumbling about is that they lack color as personalities.

Presley Is Wonderful & Can Really Dance

Lincolnton

Editors, The News: I READ the letter in the Charlotte News on Oct. 9 about Elvis Presley and I think that the fact that he is a white man and a white mixed up with some other singer. He is a wonderful singer and can really dance!

He said that nothing good could be said about Elvis. Well, I don't believe that because he is a wonderful singer. Just because older people don't like that much money the way that they think he is so good. I guess they're just jealous because they can't make that much money.

Well, they liked Frank Sinatra when they were young and we teenagers weren't around to criticize him. So adults have no right to say things about Elvis.

If adults could just put themselves in Elvis' place and listen to such songs as "Love Me Tender," "Hazy Lonesome," "Wang, Wang, Wang" and "Don't Be Cruel," I think they would understand how we feel. But please don't criticize him anymore.

—BETH HEAVNER

Elvis Is The Idol Of Nation's Youth

Charlotte

Editors, The News: IN THE paper the other night someone wrote that the reason no one said anything good about Elvis (The Pelvis) Presley was that there was not anything good that could be said about him. Has this man been in the woods all his life?

Elvis, I believe, and so do millions of other teenagers, is a good example of what many of the teenage boys would like to be themselves. He is a fine, upright young man who has made the top and stay! there. He is a very fine example of a man. He is doing the most teenagers want all other singers and movie stars would

like to do. He is handsome, shy and has a fine personality. He doesn't drink or smoke and he is very loyal to his parents and calls his mother every day no matter where he is. One of the first things he did when he started making so much money was to buy a home for his parents. How many others on the top have done this?

As for me, I will stick by Elvis as long as there is an Elvis Presley.

Just because he is on the top everyone is throwing off on him. As for his bumps and grinds, what would he be without them? Just another rock 'n' roll singer. This man said that in South Carolina they looked up barbeque dancers. But South Carolina is one state out of 48.

As for him being in the fair with the burlesque dancers, he couldn't be. He wears too many clothes.

When he does his bumps and grinds, as they are called, he has on more clothes than most of the "ratty artists" on television when they do their dances. But do you hear anything said about them? No, because they are not on top. If Elvis Presley is vulgar what is Marilyn Monroe? I haven't seen any pictures of Elvis Presley like some of Marilyn on the calendar to be sold to the public.

—PAT BRYANT

"I Said, 'Say Hello To The Gentleman'—"



Star On The Rise Nixon Represents The Future

By DORIS FLEESON

WITH NIXON IN CALIF.

VICE President Richard M. Nixon's word for the present political temper of his home state is "rally."

A super-realist in politics, he is disturbed for many reasons besides personal pique and that big bloc of 32 electoral votes.

This is the crucial time when moods harden and trends solidify. It does not do to have it appear that the state chosen personally by President Eisenhower for his re-nomination setting, the home grounds of the Eisenhower vice president and Republican Senate leader, William F. Knowland, is wavering.

GOP TRADITION

In a press conference aboard his plane, Nixon named Pennsylvania as the absolute Republican "must" if the GOP is to win. That is because of the Keystone State's long Republican tradition, California and New York swing, but Pennsylvania very rarely.

What he really was saying was that if Pennsylvania goes, uncertain California might follow and the Republicans might join the Democrats in the short end of the prize money.

Adlai Stevenson is underscoring the Nixon admissions with two full days of campaigning here, following the vice presidential tour. The official word now for an Eisenhower visit is "maybe," but a party expects him to hit populous Los Angeles County, where one-third of the vote is, and soon.

HIGH STAKE

At stake here also are a Senate seat and several House seats

strength of Sen. Knowland. Nixon has been building his own following in the congressional delegation.

LIEUTENANTS

His most loyal lieutenants are Reps. Patrick J. Hillings, Joe Holt and others. For some time they have been clearly looking to the day when they, under Nixon, will parcel out this great state's ample political power in a new dynasty.

Nixon's attentions to young people, in fact, are among the aspects of his campaigning which quickly strike the eye. Nor does he seek out only the kindergarten who make such appealing photographs and the colleagues who can vote. Reporters are insisting, half in jest and more than half in earnest, that his warmest smiles are for those junior high school students who got the ballot in 1960 and 1964.

KEY WEAPON

One fact which emerged at the San Francisco convention becomes increasingly clear. Nixon today is the shape of the Republican party's future and its present political leader.

The party organization leaders and local candidates at every important party function are frantically deserting, sighting an oasis in the desert. They see in him their one clear channel to the power and prestige of the national administration; they rely on his judgment.

When he says, as he has, "We are not writing of Texas," this is the GOP gospel, and when he indicates "the President will come to California, the Columbine is practically a dry way.



RICHARD M. NIXON The Word Is 'Struggle'

crucial to the tight struggle for control of Congress.

Hard-fighting young State Senator Richard Richards of Los Angeles has sprung the real surprise of the campaign by giving the Republican incumbent, U. S. Senator Thomas H. Kuchel, the rock 'n' roll treatment. Kuchel, in a private and his aides admit their concern.

This and the House seats which might go, too, in an upset are of immediate personal concern to the intensely ambitious vice president. In individualistic California, up against Gov. Goodwin J. Knight, who hates him, and the entrenched

A Senator's Speech Swamps The Mail

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ministration on the farm problem. Nobody paid to see his speech at the time. But apparently that speech was part of a carefully calculated plan to swamp the farm belt with literature just before the election. That is the reason for the unprecedented activity in the Senate folding room today.

Four Million Copies

For a total of 4,000,000 reprints of Sen. Martin's speech is being mailed out to farmers. This is a lot of mail. To handle it, the folding room, which is the name given to the machinery set up for sending out senators' speeches, has gone to a lot of extra expense.

Round The Clock

Extra sealing machines have been purchased. Forty extra employees have been hired. Extra labor has been drafted from the Government Printing Office. Every possible piece of equipment is being used on the job. The operation has been going on a 24-hour basis, with many

employees paid time-and-a-half and double time.

Taxpayers Pay

Spreading out into overflow space, 15 women have been working in room 155 folding copies of Sen. Martin's speech and stuffing them into envelopes at \$1.61 an hour. In room 154 two men in three-hour shifts around the clock bag envelopes, also at \$1.61 an hour. They are paid not by Sen. Martin or the Republican National Committee, but by all the taxpayers.

Total Cost

Charles checking as to the total cost of operation "Pacify the Farmers" shows that it will cost the taxpayers \$200,000. This, of course, comes at the expense of nonfarmers as well as farmers and out of the pockets of Democrats as well as Republicans. It is one of the biggest pieces of free political propaganda. Sen. Hall's astute workers have been able to put across.

On Sen. Martin's speech is the notation: "Not printed at government expense. Strictly speaking, this is true, but it is highly misleading. While the speech itself is printed at the very cheap government rate and is paid for by the GOP, it's afterward that much of the cost begins. Stuffing and sealing the envelopes will cost around \$80,000.

Free Frank

Then there's a postage bill of \$120,000. Though the speeches are mailed out under Martin's frank, the Senate has to reimburse the Post Office for the postage. This is required under a new law demanded by Postmaster General Summerfield and passed by the Republican Congress. Summerfield got tired of having the Post Office socked with the free franking bill of congressmen and demanded that the Post Office be reimbursed. So the Senate will have to send Summerfield, who was former GOP National Chairman, a check for \$120,000 to take care of the propaganda bill of the present GOP National Chairman.