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People's Platform Dixie Will Not Tolerate Ku Klux Klan Revival

ROCK'HILL, S. C.
The News: UNBROKEN lawlessness is the result of attempts by groups or individuals to take the law into their own hands.

The early Klan became an uncontrollable monster. No one was safe in his home. They lived in tragic times. But in these days the Klan is as necessary as a dove bird.

Initiation by cross burning was stoutly condemned by the Rock Hill Ministerial Association and the mayor of Rock Hill.

The truth is that southerners will not abide lawlessness and it will readily affirm its belief in the law-enforcing machinery of our society.

There is a most urgent need in these times for strong public sentiment against the indecency of cross burnings. We should give thanks during this Thanksgiving season that the elected officials and ministerial association have showed us the proper way.

-RAD MEMPHIS



Burning Cross Symbolizes Lawlessness

land, France, Israel and Russia because they got caught short on information. Further, they are to be replaced, not by trained diplomats, but by rich men because so great their expense account will not cover the overhead.

-WALDO H. JONES

Give The Policeman A Square Deal, Too

RECENTLY I've read an article in 'The News' stating that Chief Inspector thinks the police in this city are due a raise in pay.

As a policeman's wife and mother of four small children, I wholeheartedly agree. I believe the average citizen would agree too if they'd only stop and think.

Beside just being underpaid I think it is a shame that they have to work all holidays without as much as a thank you.

Then all year round there's always court they have to go to. My husband enjoys his work as I'm sure all other policemen do.

Police must be seen to help the poor and Mr. Average Citizen write and express their views on this.

-POLICEMAN'S WIFE Name Withheld by Request

Help CARE Help Needy Refugees

At a time when many of us feel helpless in the face of the crime against Hungary, it is good to know that we can help to relieve the suffering of Hungarian refugees.

Cooperative for American Remittance. Everywhere, Inc. (CARE) recently acknowledged a contribution, stating:

"Because CARE has stocks of vital basic foods, and of blankets and textiles in countries adjacent to Hungary, we are in a position to give aid to refugees as they come across the borders."

"Contributions for Hungarian relief are placed in an emergency fund... for immediate use as the situation requires... Be assured that your contribution will provide material assistance and renewed hope at the time of greatest need for both."

For one dollar, CARE can deliver 22 pounds of food to needy areas. The address is CARE, 660 First Ave., New York 16, N. Y., or in care of your postmaster.

-MIRIAM BERGMANN

America Must Pray For End Of Wars

WE are hearing some bad war news. No one can expect peace as long as there is hate against each country, and people will have to look higher than a President for help.

But peace has to start with the people of the world, and as long as the people kill and hate, we will have war.

I think the next war will last only a short time.

-MRS. MAYME BARGER

Like Ought To Have Heard 'That Fellow'

A SHOCKING statement is credited to President Eisenhower by the New York Times. As Mr. Stevenson came on television to concede the election, the President is credited as saying:

"I haven't listened to that fellow yet, and I'm not going to now" - and stalked from the room.

What a pity! The "great moral leader" of 165 million Americans might have learned something.

-JUNE A. BARNES

It's Time To Unclutter The Constitution

WASHINGTON reports indicate a real effort is under way to repeal the 22nd, or two-term, amendment to the Constitution.

It is an admirable goal deserving speedy accomplishment. The amendment was motivated in the first place as much by coffin-kicking as by any real fear of a dictatorship.

Furthermore, it clutters up a collection of enduring principles that is the Constitution with a passage of contemporary hysteria occasioned among some of his opponents by the popularity of Franklin D. Roosevelt.

The amendment operates in practice to the disadvantage of any president elected to a second term. President Eisenhower, for example, would be immensely strengthened in dealing with Congress and in giving permanence to the "new Republicanism" if Congress did not know that he can never run again.

Hard Choices For Southern Democrats

A NEW chapter in southern politics was presaged by a massive, regional shift of Negro votes into the Republican column Nov. 6.

The initial paragraphs of that chapter are written in similar reports from precincts scattered across a socially restless region from Baltimore, Md., to Jacksonville, Fla.

In Charlotte, Republicans won every state office from governor to commissioner of insurance at one predominantly Negro precinct polling place, Northwest High School.

Greensboro's No. 5 precinct, with the largest Negro registration, increased its vote for President Eisenhower from 8 per cent in 1952 to 66 per cent in '56.

A typical Negro precinct in Jacksonville went 50.5 per cent for Ike this year -11 per cent in 1952.

Three Norfolk, Va., districts upped the Eisenhower vote from 13 per cent in 1952 to 83 per cent.

The Eisenhower personal "magic" and the threat of war probably accounted for some of the shift—but not all. It exceeded a white voter trend to Eisenhower in some areas, and countered a white shift against Ike in other areas.

The Art Of Extemporaneous Brawling
THE one deflating aspect of Elvis Presley's lengthening list of barroom and service station brawls is that all have been extracurricular activities so far.

The rule is not limited to professional fighters such as boxers and wrestlers, either. Performers who mix it up joyously and publicly in sight of a hockey puck, a football or the punchline of a night club comic's plucked gag are the principal partakers of this special glamor.

Even Dizzy Dean, one of baseball's best pitchers and worst punchers, could salvage glory out of the kind of rubarb that he best describes himself:

"A fellow named Al Todd gets a hit off me and that makes me mad. The next time he comes to bat, I knock him down with one at the head. He picks himself up and gives me a dirty look and says if I do that again he'll give me a punch

generally is in direct ratio to the length of his incumbency. One of the chief means of enforcing party discipline is keeping the party ignorant of how long its president is going to be able to wield power and patronage.

Repeal of the amendment would not be retroactive, and thus would be of no help to Mr. Eisenhower. But the President has observed that he does not regard the two-term limitation as entirely wise. He voiced the belief that, by and large, the people should be able to choose the president they want regardless of the number of terms.

After Nov. 6, the President has renewed reason for that belief. History supports the belief that Eisenhower, Americans managed to get halfway through the 20th Century without electing a dictator, or seeing the need to say in the Constitution that a leader can serve only two terms.

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big switch in the South seems to rest in reaction against die-hard segregationist attitudes held by southern Democratic leaders such as Eastland of Mississippi and Talmadge of Georgia, and reaction for the Republican record on civil rights.

Gov. Hodges has accused the Republicans of insincere exploitation of the Negro vote. Aside from the question of sincerity, an unpatented quality, the "exploitation" seems a fact. The Republicans gathered huge gobs of the Negro vote and did so without alienating the white vote. This improves on Democratic techniques of exploitation—that is, to attract the white vote by tactics which alienate the Negro vote.

And it poses a continuing problem for southern Democrats in the continuing struggle for control of the national party, if not so much of one on the local and state levels. For southern solidarity in presidential elections, no more than southern seniority in Congress, has been the bedrock of the large southern influence in the Democratic Party.

Southern Negroes have given new strength to the contention of northern Democrats that they should control and shape the image of the party, an image that would show less of Sen. Eastland and more of Sen. Humphrey perhaps.

The struggle will not be resolved until the 1960 Democratic convention. Meanwhile, the situation is fluid because the South no longer is solid.

Southern Democrats may have to decide whether to sacrifice the Negro vote or to seek it, Republican style.

City's Railroad Traffic Will Actually Worsen

WHAT has the people of Charlotte gotten or are they going to get for the many thousands of dollars spent by the Greensboro-Millersville Railroad Co. on the new line?

Myrtle Beach, S. C.
Editors, The News: I have just read the Alsop et al. column about the statement that England and France and Israel were immoral in their invasion of the Egyptian Canal Zone, etc.

Suppose we, as a nation, were suddenly thrown out of the Panama Canal Zone by Colombia, which actually has been there in the past. How would we react? The answer is plain: Violently. Thus the seizure of the Suez Canal by Egypt in spite of treaties yet to run many years was a case of international banditry.

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After The Crash

America Digs Out

By WALTER LIPPMANN

IN THESE days those who profess business it is to explain and to comment on the news are having it impressed upon them, if they did not know it before, how big is the difference between making declarations and working out a policy. For a great power like the United States it is always a question, to be weighed with great care in each specific case, how far it should go in making declarations which express sentiments but are not to be followed by actions that correspond to the sentiments.

There are two schools of thought on this question. The one holds that a declaration by the United States has great influence on world opinion, and that world opinion has a great influence on the actions of governments.

Provided we see things clearly and not with self-righteous eyes, we shall not be surprised to find we may be glad, that a new and comprehensive policy has not as yet been improvised and declared to the world. Though Washington made a bad start with its first actions in the U.N., it has since then recovered its nose, and it has made, I think, three sound decisions. It has warned the Soviets effectively against military intervention. It is giving full support to the U. N.'s police force. And it has announced its readiness to cooperate in dealing with the problem of shortages, treating Western Europe as one economic community.

This is a long way from anything like a Middle Eastern settlement. But that settlement is far off and will be reached over a long and rough road. It is something that after the debacle of policy we have gotten our feet on the right road.

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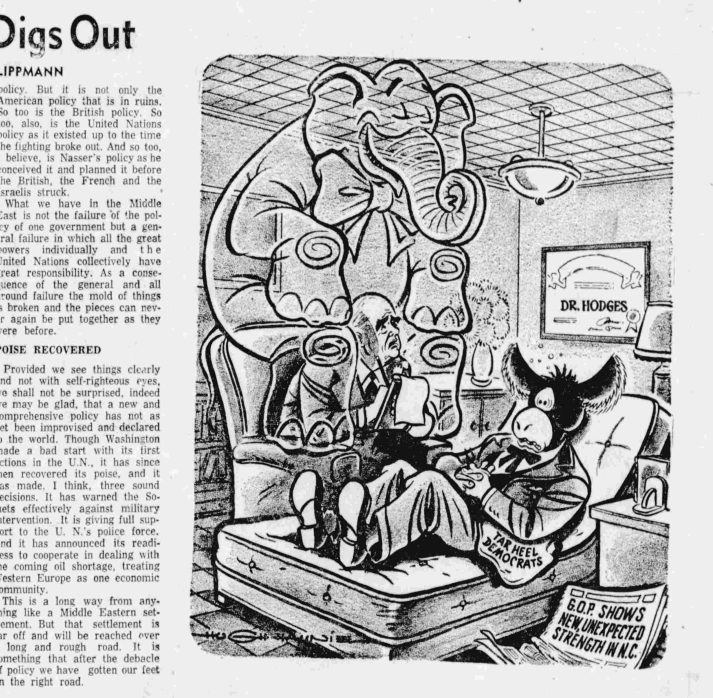
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Tell Me More About This Pink Elephant You Saw



Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

WASHINGTON
It has been kept out of the newspapers, but house investigators have been pleading with the Eisenhower administration for two years to stop the leakage of vital data and this behind the Iron Curtain. These are commodities which Russia urgently needs.

Fountain Warned Ike
As long ago as Feb. 28, 1955, Chairman L. H. Fountain, North Carolina Democrat, wrote a confidential three-page letter to the Eisenhower warning:

Tar Heel Uncovers Linsed Oil Scandal

agricultural commodities to Russia." When nothing was done to stop the illegal flow, Fountain wrote again on June 12, 1956: "The subcommittee has obtained what appears to be conclusive evidence of the illegal transshipment of sizable quantities of surplus commodities which occurred after my letter of Feb. 28 warning of the situation."

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Uncooperative Agencies
Fountain also complained that government agencies had refused to cooperate with his investigators.

take prompt action to insure that the established export policy of the United States is enforced and that violators of this policy are detected and punished."

House sleuths then discovered a Paris company, the Interoceanic Commodity Corp., bought one-half the linsed oil supposedly shipped to the Netherlands. This French company did not submit a bid, but negotiated with the Agriculture Department to buy the oil for an average price slightly under seven cents per gallon—approximately one-fourth what it cost the taxpayers.

Strange Dutch Sale
Meanwhile, Fountain's investigators have discovered that 391 million pounds of linsed oil was earmarked for the Netherlands during one 10-month period. This was obviously a phony deal. It was not only 90 per cent of this country's total linsed oil exports, but it was enough to supply each Dutch man, woman, and child with enough oil to last eight years if consumed at the same rate as Americans.

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Someone Got Rich
Much of this oil reportedly has leaked vitally needed. There is no proof that Interoceanic Commodity Corp., itself, trans-shiped the oil. But some European dealers obviously made a killing at the expense of the American taxpayers and in violation of our export laws.

Meanwhile the Agriculture Department has done nothing to stop the illegal shipments, except formal warning to purchasers not to trans-ship behind the Iron Curtain.

From The Raleigh News & Observer

SOFT SHOE COMING BACK?

A MID all the raucous fry that attends rock 'n' roll so blatantly, there are one tranquilizing implication that is something softer to the ear and more pleasing to the eye in coming into the business. This is the old soft shoe dance, the almost soundless but poetic cloze. Ray Bolger, whom critics acclaim to be the greatest soft shoe man of all time, has made several recent appearances in television in which he performed his graciously disarming and charming poetic dance.

The kids may pick up the soft shoe, lurch onto it, hug it tightly, and throw rock 'n' roll out the window and into the garbage can tomorrow. Actually, rock 'n' roll has not been the steamroller it is for such a long time. It only seems to have infinite qualities to the older people the same way that a mon-

strous hangerover or a whopping case of poison ivy does. It just seems to be teeth-grashingly long to us older folks.

Television will be greatly enhanced if dozens of the soft shoe, such as Ray Bolger, are taken on. We hope they will. But whether or not, the older people can tough it out. Their parents and also newspaper editorial writers probably went into paroxysms of sheer amazement during the heydays of the CHARLESTON, THE BLACK BOTTOM and THE BUNNY HUG.

Teacher in geography class: "Can anyone in the room tell me where Pittsburgh is?" "In Chicago for a doubleheader," replied Johnny. — MEMPHIS PRESS-SCIMITAR.