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Mr. Stassen's Little Mystery

By WALTER LIPPMANN

NEW YORK (AP)—Mr. Stassen, being a practical politician of long experience, it is strange that he waited until this late date to challenge Mr. Nixon...

OLD PROBLEM The Republican Party has had the Nixon problem since before the presidential election of 1952...

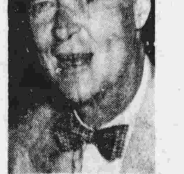
wards the Republican right wing which, though it clamors for Eisenhower as a candidate for President, opposes and obstructs his policies.

IKK'S DOUBTS The Nixon problem has existed since before the President's illness...

After the President was stricken last September, the country became overwhelmingly preoccupied with the question of whether he would run again...



HAROLD STASSEN Gallup Re-Chicken



CHRISTIAN HERTER Convulsion Put Off

to have made his challenge and to have rallied the Republicans who like him but do not like Nixon, RANKS CLOSED The moment passed, and Mr. Nixon got the enthusiastic endorsement of Chairman Leonard Hall and of the President himself...

Thunder On The Right: A Final Peril

EVEN as the General Assembly hustled toward adjournment today the right continued its campaign to rob the state of its reason.

A series of rebuffs in the House last night crippled the extremists' position severely but the spirit was still winning. The danger, however remote, that legislators would stumble in any way to the forces of reaction still had to be considered.

That was the tragedy of this year's special session. Any real divergence from the orthodox lines of the Pearsall Plan almost had to be in the direction of the extreme right.

But the governor himself indicated privately and publicly that resort to extremism would tarnish North Carolina's reputation for reason and political respectability.

Whether one can accept all of the Pearsall Plan or not, it would be wise to heed the advice of its chief proponent, Gov. Hodges, who said:

"North Carolinians have no desire or intent to defy our country's government, simply because we believe it is making an error. In the first place, a course of defiance would forfeit whatever chance we might have of convincing the rest of the nation that our position in this matter is sincere."

Some of the more dangerous examples of extremism: 1.—The Satterfield-Lake plan to strike out entirely the constitutional mandate for a public school system and empower the General Assembly to close any or all schools in the state.

legislators would have been able to abolish any school that complies with the Supreme Court's desegregation decree. Survival of public education in North Carolina would have depended on the haphazard whim of a few men meeting in Raleigh.

2.—The Spleight plan to have the legislature immediately close state colleges for Negroes when Negroes are admitted to similar white institutions. This proposal was designed as a threat to the orthodox line. Negroes have already been admitted to the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and State College in Raleigh.

3.—The interposition resolution proposed by Rep. Tom White of Lenoir which would have represented, in effect, defiance of the Supreme Court and the law. Historically and theoretically, there is no difference between interposition and nullification.

The Pearsall Plan offered a working model for legislators but it contained certain features which might endanger the sustaining concept of public education in North Carolina.

Under the Pearsall Plan, the people of the state would be permitted to vote separately on tuition grants and "local option" to close public schools in localities where conditions become "intolerable". Thus, a citizen could vote against tampering with the constitutional mandate for a uniform system of free public school and still vote for tuition grants down through the years.

The Code Should Not Be Flexible

IF THE discharge of a State Utilities Commission inspector in Charlotte for "participation in intra-party politics" is indicative of a new political morality in Raleigh, the future should be interesting.

The commission's case against C. M. (Abe) Bogan was strong. It consisted of a record of previous warnings, a dossier on his role in the reorganization of the Democratic Party in Mecklenburg and, finally, the statement of Chairman Stanley Winborne that Mr. Bogan's "recent political activities are embarrassing to the commission and have reflected upon the present administration and are contrary to the high standards of the present administration."

GBS: His Time Was Short, Too

FIRST of all, Chicago, Ill., is no place to hold America's principal celebration of the 100th anniversary of his birth.

Chicago is full of all the middle class disgusts and unspeakable horrors of attitude that a Victorian fallen among Fabians secretly abhors.

It is too Sandburgian, to start with: Hog Butcher for the World, Tool Maker, Stack of Wheat, Player with Railroads and the Nation's Freight Handler; Stormy, husky, brawling, City of the Big Shoulders.

Furthermore, Shaw once described it as "America, with the lid off" and he was not attempting to be kind.

It is not only the home of his famous biographer, Dr. Archibald Henderson ("I remained incomprehensible until an American gentleman, Prof. Archibald Henderson, presented me in a complete and intelligible shape to the public").

ards of the present administration. The ground rules concerning such behavior would have been known. If Mr. Bogan deliberately violated the code he should have been made to resign.

But political piety should have no great and convenient flexibility. If the code is to be enforced in one case it should be enforced in all.

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But it has become known in the all good conscience, the administration cannot afford to punish one offender and wink at a hundred others.

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People's Constitution Tells No Lies About Man's Equality

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So the dictum on which our government is founded, namely "that all men are created equal" is a "colossal lie!" Human equality means that God made all men human beings. A human being has a body and a soul.

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really happen if we honestly tried to go along with the Supreme Court's decision.

The present Negro population is segregated, by and large, in communities in which schools are already established.

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and stand on it. Let's make the Tenth solid for our own sake — go Democratic or don't go to a Democrat for they are doing more good for more people than the Republicans ever will do.

Christ's Teachings Would Solve All Ills Litchinton Editors: The News: I letters like to comment on two letters published in the People's Platform by Mr. Claude Hasty concerning faith, religion and morals.

Let's Go Democratic Or Not Go At All Charlotte Editors: The News: I WISH to put a few points before the people of Charlotte and ask a few questions.

Man Vs. Machine MODERN man has dehumanized himself so effectively that he is no longer man enough to stand up to his machines.

From The Christian Science Monitor

HOW TO ENJOY BOOKS

THE prospect who replied to a book salesman, "No, thanks. I already have a book," may not have realized how much fun one can have with books.

George Bernard Shaw knew how to have fun with books. One story has it that the red-bearded celebrity came across one of his own books on a second-hand counter.

Further evidence on this point has just come our way in a report on a man who found in a bookstore a large stock of a big and very tedious work.

man who found in a bookstore a large stock of a big and very tedious work. He noticed it had no index. So he bought up every copy he could find and lent them to his acquaintances with a note:

"I think you will find this book interesting, especially the reference to you, which I hope you will not consider offensive."

The shortest measurable space of time is the instant between the flash of green light and the foot of the driver's horn behind you.

Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round Anti-Nixon Move Has Strong Support

WASHINGTON (AP)—In the shadows behind Harold Stassen is his "dumb Dick" movement are such powerful Republicans as Gen. Louis Clay, Ike's intimate friend; Sidney Weinberg, the Wall Street banker; Paul Hoffman, the former Marshall Plan administrator; Jack McLoey, head of Chase Bank and former high commissioner to Germany.

Luce's potent publications fired two shots which had the earmarks of an artillery barrage in preparation for the dump-Dick movement. Life Magazine carried a penetrating, not too friendly diagnosis of Nixon.

But he doesn't go out on such an important political limb without a green light from Mr. Big. . . . Chris Herter Jr., son of the Massachusetts governor whom Stassen is booming to replace Nixon, was once administrative assistant to Nixon. After that he became counsel to Successor's Foreign Operations Administration.

James Rides Again Texas Tanslums—The Lone Star State goes into its big election battle Saturday with some interesting candidates on the ballot. . . . Warren G. Harding is running for State Treasurer against Jesse James, the now-bankrupt Texas banker under indictment. J. Roy Ramsour, under indictment for murder and facing

A Drag They don't dislike Dick, but they do consider him a drag on the ticket. With repeated attention focused on Ike's health, they know the public will be voting not only for the President, but for the man who would replace him—if . . . Two Shots These backstage higgwags wanted someone to break the Nixon ice. . . . Henry

Ike Was Willing Time carried a devastating diagnosis of Ike's medical history, stating that the heart attack lessened his life expectancy 30 per cent that recurrence of ileitis was 50 per cent. . . . Though Eisenhower didn't encourage Stassen, inside fact is that he isn't discouraging him. Ike was quite willing to have a trial balloon launched by others with no responsibility by him. . . . Stassen has shown courage in various moments about the White House. He was the first to tangle with McCarthy.

Let's get away from this and as we claim to be. I do not believe so. —LILLIE BULLA

trial, is running for justice of the peace in Edinburg. . . . George Parr, who has served time for income-tax evasion and is now under a new federal indictment, is running for Sheriff of Daval County, Texas!