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## Attitude Of National Officials Toward Senate Investigating Committee Encourages Betrayal Of Government Secrets

### Texas Panhandle Sends A Republican To Congress

For the first time in twenty-four years, a Republican has been elected to represent a congressional district in Texas.

The result was a victory for coalition forces which are more and more becoming recognized as the medium by which the country may ultimately witness a return to Constitutional government.

Democrats in great numbers voted

with Republicans to elect Ben Guill of Pampa, as a member of Congress from the Eighteenth Congressional District, a seat formerly held by Eugene Worley.

Thorough disapproval of the people in the Panhandle with the Truman policies of government is given by the new congressman as the principal reason for his election.

Regardless of the cause of it, many sincere Texans are earnestly hoping that it may prove the first step toward a two-party system for the Lone Star State.

### Any Disloyal Employee Probably Feels Assurance of Protection

Regardless of whether or not Senator McCarthy's charges that Communists are on the payroll of the State Department can be proved, it is clear that it would have been much wiser if the current investigation had never been called.

The strong defense made of such characters and the vigorous protest put up by the president, the secretary of State and other high officials against disturbing them even if they are operating within the government service, has no doubt given these subversives a feeling of security and freedom to continue their activities unmolested, which they could not have had before the investigation was initiated.

Where they might have been doubtful and apprehensive before of being able to hold their positions while betraying their country by giving government secrets to its enemies, they now probably feel that they can proceed without hindrance, in view of official defense and even denial of their existence.

Any way, what would it profit us to remove a few pink punks from the State Department so long as the government itself continues to be administered by a man who publicly demonstrates his esteem for the Communies by openly denouncing any attempt to expose them as a "red herring"?

Also, who is going to draw the fine, thin line between 'Fair Dealism' and 'Communism' or definitely point out where the one theory of government leaves off and the other begins?

A close examination of the objectives of Stalin and those of Truman will reveal to any intelligent and observant student of government that there is very little difference between the political ideologies of the two and that the distinction is only in methods of procedure and not in principles.

Regardless of what name it goes by, the only way that radicalism can be eliminated from the State Department, as well as all other branches of the Federal government, is for the Truman administration to be voted out of office lock, stock and barrel, the ship of state thoroughly fumigated, and good sound-thinking Americans placed on deck.

A good way to start this disinfecting job is at the ballot box in the Fall elections when several Senators and Congressmen whose lack of allegiance to American principles and our form of government is responsible for the congregation of Reds in Washington, come up for reelection.

As for the Senate Investigating Committee, it was rigged from the start and the few unbiased and sincere members on it never had a factory girl's chance of developing the truth about whether or not we were paying government employees taxpayers' money to sell us out to Communist spies.

Evidence of this may be found in the fact that it took eleven years to dislodge Alger Hiss from the government payroll and even then he quit of his own accord and was indicted only because of the persistence of a courageous congressman from California who refused to be intimidated by opposition from high sources.

The appointment of the Chairman of the Senate Investigating Committee was a forceful demonstration of the vicious circle within the government which operates to prevent unbiased consideration of any unwholesome conditions prevailing in any department.

Of all available men in the Senate who might have been expected to conduct a thorough and vigorous investigation and make an honest attempt to either prove or disprove Senator McCarthy's charges to the satisfaction of the taxpayers, the appointment went to a son-in-law of "Mission to Moscow" Davies whose book indicated where he stood on Communism, and a partner of the chairman of the so-called Loyalty Board whose duty was to pass on those suspected of being disloyal.

While this, in itself, does not reflect necessarily on the integrity of the chairman of the Senate Investigating Committee, it certainly prevents it from being regarded as an impartial body and the half-hearted performance of the chairman in going about the job does not add to his stature as an unbiased and open-minded investigator.

All of which proves what a foolish and utterly futile gesture it is to try to remove a Communist here and there from the set-up of an administration whose policies, together with those of the preceding administration, are responsible for the extraordinary growth of the cancer of Communism in this country and its spread into the very bloodstream of our national life.

### Florida Voters Start Trend Back Toward Constitutional Government

During the Thirties when Franklin D. Roosevelt was throwing his weight around all over the place like the straw boss of a section gang and ordering members of both Houses of Congress to vote for his "must" legislation, one of his most servile and spineless flunkies was the goose-stepping Claude Pepper of Florida.

Elected by the voters of that great State to represent them in the United States Senate and, in such capacity, to perform in accordance with the Constitution which set up three separate and distinct branches of government, each to act as a check on the other, Pepper was one of the first to renounce his sworn duty to his constituents and become one of the administration's Mortimer Snerds.

Last week the people of Florida by an overwhelming vote retired the Senator to private life and named George Smathers, World War II Marine veteran, to succeed him.

In no uncertain terms they told the New Deal puppet to take a long walk on a short pier or, in other words, to "get lost."

A large slice of the CIO million dollar slush fund was alleged to have been spent in the Florida campaign principally in rounding up Negroes in various sections of the State whom a Supreme Court "social decision" some time ago gave the right to participate in white Democratic primaries. This vote is generally supposed to have gone to Pepper.

Friends of the Southern Conservative in a certain section of Florida where large numbers of the March and April editions of the paper were circulated were kind enough to tell us that we helped in the campaign but, much as we would like to claim some credit for the great victory for political morality in that State, we can't honestly feel that we are entitled to do so.

The people of the several States, and especially those in the South, don't take kindly to outside suggestions, or at least are not influenced by them and have demonstrated this by giving the CIO a nice big slap in the face every time it has interfered in a State election.

So, while it would give us great joy to think that we influenced even one vote in the right direction, we do not feel that we did. We were glad to send any number of papers to parties requesting them, but it was the citizens of Florida, themselves, who finally realized what the score was and came to bat.

Our remarks about the Florida ex-Senator were all directed against his official acts, of course, and were not intended as personal. As an individual, he may be a gentleman and a scholar, but as a statesman discharging the Constitutional responsibilities of an elected official, he was a good adagio dancer.

The State of Florida is well rid of him and we hope that the people of other States do as good a job of mowing down "New Deal" and "Fair Deal" lawmakers as fast as they stick their neck out for re-election as the people in the Everglades State have just done.



## LEWIS EVALUATES ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF U.N. ON ITS FIFTH ANNIVERSARY

On April twenty-fifth, the fifth anniversary of the organization called the United Nations was noted, but not celebrated, by the American people.

On that date the great radio commentator, Fulton Lewis, Jr., with his characteristic habit of ripping away all pretense, brushing aside subtle political propaganda and working his way straight down to the cold, bare facts of the subject, discussed the report of this most colossal flop in history in his daily Washington broadcast.

With the special permission of Mr. Lewis, we reproduce his remarks on that occasion:

"To begin with, it might be well to observe that today is an anniversary—the fifth anniversary of the opening in San Francisco of the world conference at which was organized the United Nations Organization, to safeguard and forever preserve the world peace and comity which, at the time, we were just in the final stages of achieving.

"It all looked very glamorous and promising, then. The Russians still wanted things of us, and were going through the motions of being polite though tough. Mr. Alger Hiss of the State Department—having returned just a few months before from Yalta, where he was chief adviser to the ill President Roosevelt—was running the San Francisco show. At Yalta, all previous promises of faith to the Chinese Nationalist Government had been thrown overboard and a secret agreement had been reached, selling out China to the Communists. We were very palsy-walsy with the Russians, under the friendly aegis of Mr. Alger Hiss' direction and management—we called them one of the great democracies of the world. Mr. Truman and Mr. Stalin had gotten along beautifully in their meeting in Potsdam and it was all very cute, because both Mr. Truman and Mr. Stalin so greatly enjoyed the musical programs, presented for their entertainment while they were there. "There were a few who were skeptical, but to express that skepticism was to prove oneself a vulgarian and a bumpkin.

"And so it was formed, the United Nations Organization, and has operated for five years, safeguarding the peace, the security, the freedom of the liberated nations of the world, and insuring their perpetual right to and tenure of the freedom to be democracies—nations where free men and women govern themselves.

"Somehow, as of now, there is tragic irony in these retrospects. Under that safeguarding, one nation after another has been gobbled up by the villainous gangsters of Moscow. Half of Europe, most of Asia, is shackled with the chains of a dictatorship as ruthless, as bigotted, as cruel, as Godless and depraved, and far more bloody than the dictatorships of Hitler and Mussolini had ever been, in their worst days. Religious intolerance and persecution is now directed at all faiths—Catholic, Protestant and Jewish alike. A mad, power crazed, totally unprincipled and anti-God stalks the world and over every nation that is not already captive, hangs the ominous shadow of the hammer and sickle.

"And the United Nations Organization, sadly enough, has never so much as laid a pebble barrier in the path of the conquest. On the contrary, in looking back, if it has served any purpose at all, the results have been to help Russia in what Russia has done. The nations which might have taken individual action, or even collective action, cannot do so, because such action is supposed to be the sole province of the United Nations Organization. But the veto power, which we agreed to at San Francisco when Mr. Hiss was run-

## HERBERT K. HYDE WILL RUN FOR GOVERNOR OF OKLAHOMA

Former United States District Attorney, Herbert K. Hyde of Oklahoma City has announced as a candidate for Governor of the Sooner State on the Republican ticket which caused the Oklahoma City Times to predict the first real contest of a Republican for governor of that State in twenty years.

Hyde made the race against Josh Lee in 1936 when he received a total of 229,004 votes.

Hyde is well known in Republican circles of Oklahoma and the nation.

## WOMAN LECTURER WITH SOUND VIEWS SPEAKS IN HOUSTON

Dr. Ruth Alexander, newspaper columnist and lecturer, refreshing contrast to some of the radical females engaged in the same occupation, spoke to a large group of business men in Houston recently and gave a timely warning.

She warned that they are on the verge of being put out of business because the country is on the rocky edge of Socialism.

"If the American people had the intellectual curiosity to check the origins of the various political theories thrown at them, they would not be in their present State" Dr. Alexander stated.

She suggested as a remedy that the American people must organize, become class conscious and use money in the current cold war.

She listed four groups which are responsible for the present state of near-Socialism. These groups are:

Organized labor, political bosses, occupational groups such as farmers who give way to pressure groups and "penthouse pinks".

Other points included in Dr. Alexander's remarks were:

Russia with its Communism has never had a standard of living as high as it had in 1913 under the Czarist regime.

Socialism penalizes the fit and Capitalism penalizes the unfit.

A Liberal is a man who plays God with other people's money.

We have crossed the Rubicon into Socialism.

ning the show, makes it possible for Russia to block consideration of any of these cases, and even if they were considered and a decision to take action were reached, there is no means of carrying out or enforcing the decision, because the Moscow mob have blocked the setting up of any international police force.

"There were some, back in those days of 1945, who doubted that all the gleaming predictions about the future of the United Nations Organization, were quite realistic or practical, in the light of previous history and previous contact and relations with the Soviet Government. The military knew, and long had burned over the fact, that the Russians were totally and completely uncooperative, arrogant and untrustworthy as our co-belligerents throughout the war, even to the bitter end. The diplomatic knew it too. But the attitude was, "no harm can come from this organization—it cannot do any damage . . ." and he was an isolationist and a trouble monger who dared suggest even caution, in the architecture of the San Francisco structure.

"Is it true that no harm could come of it? Is it true that no damage could be done? or is it true that Joseph Stalin had used it as the protecting cloak under which he has carried on the greatest and most extensive world conquest in history, without ever a worry about interference from anybody?"

## ALL COMMUNISTS ARE NOT CARD-HOLDING MEMBERS

American Communist Party officials announced recently that their membership in the United States is declining and that their party organization is badly shaken.

They asserted that registered party members in 1950 do not exceed 47,000 which, they estimate, is about fifteen per cent of their strength of 1949.

All of which means exactly nothing and which is actually worrying Communist Party leaders not at all.

The American people have nothing to fear from card-holding Communists in this country.

They are a bunch of bums and human derelicts who have no standing in the communities in which they live and exert little influence in the political life of the nation.

The real assets of the Communist Party here are to be found in the groups of so-called "liberals" who will squeal like a stuck pig if they are called Communists by name but who operate in the interest of Soviet theories of government.

This includes both male and female columnists and commentators who always advocate the election of left-wing members of Congress, who beat their breast for Civil Rights, Federal control of business, schools and medicine and all the other Communistic proposals introduced in this country in the early thirties.

It also includes politicians in high places from the White House down who have seized on these proposals as a medium of getting votes and takes in leaders in the various professions, even including, in some cases, the ministry who, in response to mass hysteria and the herd instinct, have gone along with the crowd without possessing the faintest conception of where they are headed or what it all means.

Also it has reference to labor union leaders who make a great stir about ridding their unions of Communists and then exert themselves to the utmost to get Communist ideologies enacted into law.

The reduction in Communist Party membership is the last thing about which we have to worry.

## Former Congressman Dies May Run Again

Former Congressman Martin Dies of Lufkin who was the original Chairman of the House Committee on un-American Activities and whose attempts to expose Communists in the various departments of government met the active opposition of Franklin D. Roosevelt addressed a large gathering of East Texans at Beaumont recently.

In his usual vigorous style, the former congressman poured it on selfish business men, labor leaders, as well as the apathetic public, for allowing Communism to acquire such a stranglehold on this country.

Five hundred men and women who crowded the Rose Room of the Hotel Beaumont where he spoke rose in a body and cheered him at the close of his remarks.

The rumor is current in Texas that Mr. Dies may again seek the position for which he refused to be a candidate for re-election several years ago.

It was he who laid the groundwork for the present excellent work the Committee is doing but the hostility of the Roosevelt administration to his attempts to uncover alien agents in the various offices, was said to have discouraged him to the extent that he refused to stand for re-election.

The opposition he encountered then was the same type that Truman is now putting up against the efforts of a Senate Committee to get at the truth of charges by Senator McCarthy of Wisconsin to the effect that the State Department is honey-combed with Communists.

If Mr. Dies should decide to make the race for Congress again and should be elected, maybe he would be able to extend some assistance to Truman in identifying Communists since the president seems completely unable to tell the difference between a Red sympathizer and a red herring.

## We Ask the Blind To Lead the Blind

At the head of the Government of the United States is a man who failed in the only business enterprise he conducted. This is no reflection on the personal integrity of Harry Truman, as many another man has taken bankruptcy in business failure. But the fact remains that, with one failure and no business success, he has yet to prove his ability to conduct any enterprise. His conduct of the important business of the United States has been on exactly the principle which brought him mercantile failure—over extension of credit, more expense than income. In private business this takes you speedily into the bankruptcy court. In national business, it takes you eventually into ruin.

Were Congress itself composed of men who knew how to operate business successfully, presidential ineptitude would be of less concern. Congress itself would stop prejudicial policies cold. But Congress numbers few men who have not made politics their career. Of those who do not fall in that category, most have been successful in the professions rather than in enterprise.

It would be interesting to know how many top men in the executive department and agencies where understanding of business should be a prime requisite have ever conducted a business successfully. This would include the Departments of Commerce, Labor and the Treasury, the RFC, the Interstate Commerce Commission, the National Labor Relations Board, the Communications Commission, to name a few.

The welfare of the nation, its ability to remain solvent, maximum employment of the American workers, all depend on the successful working of American business. Dependent on it in addition to the government are the professions whose contributions, however useful, is not itself the production and exchange of goods but of services.

That in the public interest business enterprise should be regulated against human rapacity and injustice has been demonstrated in experience. But experience has shown, too, that the pendulum can swing too far the other way and that unjust regulation can become expropriation. Aesop put it as killing the goose that lays the golden egg. Still worse, we tend to kill the goose that lays any egg.

Doubtless there is in present regulation of business by taxation and restrictive direction a minimum of willful effort to destroy. But to the business facing destruction, it matters little whether government bears ill-will or is simply ignorant.

You would not ask a jury of the insane to pass on sanity. But we think nothing of trusting regulation that may make or break industry to men and women who have never understood the basic principles of conducting enterprise successfully.

—Dallas Morning News.

## RED SYMPATHIZERS OPPOSE EX-PRESIDENT'S PROPOSAL

The suggestion of ex-president Herbert Hoover that the present organization of the United Nations be scrapped and one set up in its place with the Communist countries left out, met with immediate opposition from those who are always to be found defending and apologizing for Reds in this country.

These consist of a group of men and women whose queer idea of the way to rid this country of Communism is to adopt the principles of Communism and coddle the Commies along.

They include some female columnists and some "progressive Republicans" in the State Department, as well as the usual quota of "Fair Deal" Democrats whose political ideologies are so nearly identical with those prevailing in the Soviet Republic, that a good American can't tell the difference.



## THE HOUSING ADMINISTRATOR AND A LITTLE RED SHOAT

The action of the Federal Housing Administrator in Washington who recently made such a fervent appeal to Congress to re-establish rent control in order that he might hold his job, reminded us of a similar occurrence in our childhood days down on the farm.

Our family had an old red sow who through some mysterious quirk of nature, gave birth to a litter of pigs which contained one more member than she had facilities for feeding.

This meant that each feeding time, one of the little shoats would be crowded away from the dinner table and the squeals which resulted would resound to high heaven and would not let up until a bucket of milk was poured in a special trough to assuage his hunger.

And so it is with Fair Deal parasites who have been sucking the public teat so long that they are unable to make a living of their own efforts, and when they are choked off from this source of sustenance, they squeal all over the lot.

### NOTED BRITISH AUTHOR CONDEMNS SOCIALISM

The Socialist Government of England which the taxpayers of the United States are compelled to support was sharply criticized for its program of socialized medicine by a noted author and publisher of London recently.

The speaker was Cecil Palmer who addressed the eighty-third annual convention of the State Medical Association in session at Fort Worth.

As developed in Great Britain, Socialism is the lowest form of human degradation, Palmer stated, and added: "Socialism does not create wealth, it merely collects and spends it bit by bit until finally it is exhausted".

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### Englishman Tells of Rights for Robots

Sir Ernest Benn who, in pre-Socialism days in England, was a successful business man and who was invited to address a national meeting of electrical engineers in this country recently sent the following copy of his speech to be read to the convention:

I regret that I am unable to come in person from Britain to talk directly to you, but I am not prepared to accept the only terms on which my government will allow me to travel.

In the past I have always been able to meet you on more or less equal terms. I could, for instance, at my own expense offer a handful of roses or a box of candies to a charming hostess. Now I can come to you only as a government-created pauper, absolutely barred from securing, of my own right, the dollars or dimes to spend as I myself would like to do. I am not prepared to put myself into this curious and uncomfortable position. Thus my address must be read for me by another.

I understand that in the United States there are still those who think that the machinery of government can be used as a substitute for personal responsibility on the part of the governed. This idea, as we know only too well in Britain, is the open road to disaster. It changes persons with responsibilities into robots with rights.

And while you fortunate Americans will last a little longer than the rest of us, your doom is also assured if you, like us, rely upon politics and collective action to relieve you of the normal and natural responsibilities of healthy men. For socialism is not a system; it is a disease. The "something for nothing" mentality is, in fact, an economic cancer.

In England we have suffered nearly five years of effective socialist government. But that is only the end of the story; we are merely completing 50 years of a sloppy sentimentalism in public affairs of which the present socialism is merely the logical outcome. In the process we have murdered old virtues with new deals. Well-meaning, shallow-thinking, kindly people, aware of the scriptural injunction that "the greatest of these is charity," have failed to notice the distinction between the real article and the giving away of other people's money. So, having lost our faith, we come to the end of the story; we have accepted false hopes and practiced a charity which is nothing of the kind.

You will remember that 50 years ago at the end of Victoria's reign, we had achieved in Britain, notwithstanding many shortcomings and blemishes, a high general standard of living. From that proud position we have now descended to the point where American tourists coming to Europe go to the countries conquered by Hitler to escape the drab austerity of utopian Britain.

We have had enough experience to know exactly what "security" means: It is a prior government claim upon salaries and wages; it is austerity rations bought with Marshall Aid; it is more and more paper money, and less and less of anything to buy.

This government-guaranteed "security" is steadily reducing output per man in our industries. There are, of course, glorious minority exceptions. But in general, our people have believed the promises of 1945 and have concentrated on their supposed rights and forgotten their responsibilities. Most thinking people among us now realize that while it is easy to make the rich poor, it is quite another matter to make the poor rich.

There is little purpose to be served in wearying you with the details of our

life, especially business life, in Britain today. To argue about taxes, pensions, houses, or even ground-nuts is merely to scratch the surface. You will be more interested in the longer view and the lessons to be learned from it.

In the short period of 50 years we have traveled the whole road, starting when government had almost nothing to do with trade, and ending where all trade is under the dead hand of the state. America, as I understand, is about half-way along this road to disaster.

Among the disasters resulting from governmental planning in the economic field, I put at the top of the list the loss of the market. We have no such thing that counts for much in England today. Exchange by willing buyers and willing sellers has, for practical purposes, disappeared. Governmental buying, fixed prices, subsidies, and purchase taxes have substituted force for willingness. Goodwill is a thing of the past. Price, properly the result of a compromise between the willing buyer and the willing seller, is now replaced by an official abstraction arrived at for political rather than economic reasons. The word "willing" is not to be found in any official vocabulary.

The sanctity of contract is also a thing of the past, and that again shows how far we have departed from the principles upon which civilization was constructed. Governments, here and elsewhere, fail to set much value on their pledged word.

Perhaps the biggest of all the changes in this connection is the destruction of the price mechanism. Before the politicians usurped the right of the citizen to provide for himself, the price mechanism indicated with speed and certainty the degree of plenty or of scarcity. It did not require committees of experts and official enquirers to discover changes in production and consumption, and the need for adjusting action accordingly. The price mechanism has been put so completely out of action that we now pay a series of varying prices for the same article at the same time.

The natural process, named by economists "the law of supply and demand," insures the freedom of choice that is essential to the worthwhile life of free citizens. Socialism tries to put the matter the other way around. Some authority, claiming to know what the people want, issues orders for supply without being able to know the requirements of the buyers or demanders. This theory ignores completely the forces which govern the ordinary actions of the ordinary man. The natural order of things requires that the maker shall produce his goods and display them for the inspection of the buyer who is, at all times, free not to buy. The right to buy or not to buy is vital to economic well-being and, of course, to personal liberty.

It is only now that we are beginning to reap the inevitable fruits of wrong thinking. Millions of our people now look to the government much in the same fashion that their fathers of Victorian times looked to God. Political authority has taken the place of heavenly guidance.

Herbert Spencer in that wonderful prophecy, "The Man Versus The State," explained in detail what would happen. He foretold with exactitude the present rush of the weaklings for jobs as planners and permittees, telling other people what not to do.

You will have noticed that while we are all under the thumb of authority, authority becomes composed of those who, lacking the courage to stand on their own feet and accept their share of personal responsibility, seek the safety of official positions where they escape the consequences of error and failure. Active, energetic, and progressive persons, instead of leading the rest, are allowed to move only by the grace and favor of that section of the population which from its very nature lacks all the qualities needed to produce the desired results. Authority is the power to say no, which requires little ability.

On a broad view, the all-important issue in the world today, is Individualism versus Collectivism.

The individualist thinks of millions

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We have read with interest and much approval the first four issues of a monthly, eight-page paper, which comes out of Fort Worth, Texas and which is called THE SOUTHERN CONSERVATIVE. It proclaims as its purpose, "To plead for a return of constitutional government."

An estimable, rational and patriotic lady by the name of Ida M. Darden edits and publishes this paper. The business and editorial offices are in the Flatiron Building at Fort Worth, Texas. She asks for donations to defray its expenses. It is worth more than donations. We suggest that she price it at a subscription rate. It is the kind of reading that makes citizens intellectually sound.

We commend it. It is rational, aggressive and inspirational. You can get it for the asking and once you read it you will probably want to help support it.

—The Tulsa (Oklahoma) Tribune

Why industrious people who work the greater part of a lifetime to acquire a fair share of worldly goods and then vote for those who take their substance from them and give it to those who will not work is an unexplained mystery.

of single human souls, each with a spark of divine genius, and visualizes that genius applied to the solution of his own problems. His conception is infinitely higher than that of the politician or planner who at best regards these millions as material for social or political experiment or, at worst, cannon fodder.

The individualist believes self-help to be twice blest. For not only does it provide the help required, but it also gives a self-respecting satisfaction in accomplishment which can never attach to help that is received.

When a man is on his own, an individual responsible for himself, he must earn a character—a personal character that is perhaps his first necessity. Others may then learn and imitate his qualities and capabilities. In a planned society he has no need of a character, for no such thing is wanted. No national or universal plan can afford to take the least notice of his personal character.

As an individual responsible for himself, a man must also acquire credit. Others must be convinced that he is credit-worthy; that he can be trusted; that what he undertakes he will perform to the limits of his ability. But when he is planned, nothing so troublesome is in the least necessary.

The individual responsible for himself must try to avoid the loss that results from mistakes. But if he is the planner or the planned, the loss comes out of the public purse, and he is relieved of personal responsibility. He can then waste and lose just as much as his unheralded laziness may dictate.

The individual responsible for himself must strive to do better—better than his previous performance and better than others. But in a planned society, the only upward route available to a person is into the ranks of the planners where he can presume to arrange the affairs of others.

The socialist advances the supposition that the individual can be so trained and managed as to cause his every act to be performed in the interests of society as a whole. The idea of the socialist is to substitute for the enormously constructive natural power of the self-interest of each of us, a manufactured force composed of the theoretical interests of the state. To the individualist this socialist idea is utter nonsense—a view much strengthened by the losses and disasters of the last five years in England alone.

Perhaps, above all, I am an individualist because it makes for honesty. In a society of free men, each acting on his own responsibility, honesty is the best policy.



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### "CIVIL RIGHTS" ONCE AGAIN SWAY HIGH COURT DECISION

The Supreme Court, whose members have time and again demonstrated their strong prejudice against the white race, has made another "social decision" and one which clearly indicates that we are fast approaching the place where an American citizen, in order to get justice from our highest court, will have to first paint his face with a piece of burnt cork.

In Dallas where a Negro burglar bashed the brains out of a sleeping night watchman in order to commit robbery without interference, a jury indicted him for first degree murder.

There was never any question as to the Negro's guilt and the ruling was not made on this point, the murder, itself, seeming to have been regarded as "immaterial and irrelevant" by the majority of the Supreme Court judges.

Civil Rights on which the Court has gone hog-wild and which appears to include murder as one of the privileges of the minority race, was the point on which the decision was made.

Because there was no Negro on the jury, the defendant was set free to pursue his career of burglary unmolested which should serve as a warning hereafter to night watchmen who are so careless as to get in the way of a burglar intent on the serious business at hand.

No cognizance was taken of the fact that in the South we have gotten along for more than eighty years without Negroes on the jury and would still be doing it if Joe Stalin had not issued his decree concerning "Civil Rights" through the medium of the Communist Party platform.

At any rate, the eminent jurists on the highest court in the land have once again pointed up "Civil Rights" as the dominating factor in influencing decisions and the fact that an innocent man lost his life in the transaction, is just one on him.

It may be that something constructive will come out of these continuous rulings in favor of one race as against another. Perhaps it will ultimately force the organization of a group called something like "The National Association for the Preservation of the White Race", which can be shortened into the initials NAPWR, and which will shoot its lawyers into the picture every time it feels the white race is being discriminated against.

In the meantime, if a blonde is convicted of murder and it is discovered by the Supreme Court sages through the medium of an astute lawyer from a national organization of blondes that the jury contained no member with platinum hair, we assume that the case will be reversed and the blonde set free to kill somebody else.

Presumably this would also apply to Indians, Mexicans, Chinese, Half-breeds and Swiss Bell Ringers who commit a crime and then discover that they can wiggle out of it by pointing out that the jury failed to include their prototype in its panel.

### Houston Woman Talks Good Government To Publishers

American newspaper publishers in convention in New York recently were told by Oveta Culp Hobby of Houston that the "whole complexity of government has led to an overplanned economy, an over-governed nation and an overspent budget."

The means must be found for eliminating waste, cutting taxes and simplifying government, she pointed out "if venture capital is to be free to provide an expanding economy in the United States."

She insisted that it was not her intention to castigate government officials and congress because these weaknesses "are the result of the combined weakness of the public."

While she was obviously doing a little graceful and diplomatic verbal sidestepping in order to avoid offending some of her friends in the Fair Deal set-up, we think it very hopeful and encouraging that Mrs. Hobby has publicly aligned herself on the side of those who oppose waste and inefficiency in government.

If she has decided to permanently throw in with the forces who are trying to preserve the free enterprise system in this country and to bring about a return of constitutional government, she will be quite a valuable asset to such forces.

Mrs. Hobby is an exceptionally brilliant, able and intelligent woman who comes from a long line of straight-thinking Texans who would have been the last to accept the New Deal or Fair Deal ideologies or to hold with the alien "isms" which have overrun this country in the past seventeen years.

We hope she continues to adhere to the policy of defending the cause of good government because it is within the power of influential women like her to offset, in a degree, the evil influence of some of the fulsome females in public life who are constantly spouting off about "social injustice" and who are more concerned in movements for supplying bubble baths to the Bengalese than they are in helping to preserve our form of government.

So far as we have observed, this is the first time Mrs. Hobby has taken a definite stand in favor of sound American principles in government, but we hope it is not the last.

The great Houston newspaper of which she is the executive vice president turns out some grand editorials along this line but, for some unexplained reason, employs persons on its reportorial staff who are regarded as extreme radicals and who slant local articles to conform to the large colony of Red sympathizers in Houston.

In the days when Texas sent its best brains to the United States Senate to represent the Lone Star State, Joseph Weldon Bailey made this assertion from the Senate floor: "If I have to choose between a crook and a fool, I will take the crook because there is a possibility of reforming the crook, but no hope of changing the viewpoint of a fool." The eminent statesman never got around to contemplating what could be done by a people who find themselves saddled with leaders who are both fools and crooks.

### HOW TO AID THE CAUSE OF COMMUNISM IN THE U. S.

One of the reasons Communist infiltration of our institutions has been able to make such effective and rapid progress in the past few years is because of the highly organized "smear" campaigns directed against those who oppose this subversive force.

Of the billions of dollars which are being spent to install Communism in the United States, a large share of it goes into the financing of the groups who make a business of blackening the names of those whose opposition to Communism has been so effective as to place them on the blacklist of Stalin's agents in this country.

So subtle is the smear propaganda against real Americans and so prominent some of its sponsors that it has found an outlet in newspapers, national magazines and other publications who would be the first to oppose Communism as a principle but who are lending practical assistance to the cause by giving space to propaganda releases of the smear brigade.

And business executives themselves help along this propaganda by accepting it as truth instead of recognizing it for what it is—a despicable attempt to destroy the effectiveness of responsible Americans and organizations combatting Communism.

Instead of defending and standing by those who are fighting the battle for free enterprise, industrialists in too many cases take the cowardly position that they can't afford to be identified with this movement or that because it has been charged with operating as a "racket."

It is astounding to observe such naivete on the part of those at the head of vast enterprises and one can't help but wonder, in view of such stupidity, how they ever managed to attain a commanding position in the field of business.

Certainly the smear artist is going to brand as a "racket" any effective effort to thwart the plans of his masters to Communize our government, schools, churches and other social and civic institutions.

What should we expect of those who are paid to wield the tar brush? Do we expect them to praise and extol those who are fighting their nefarious proposals and blocking their subversive plans?

Do we expect them to put the stamp of approval on those who are doing most to prevent them from carrying out their dastardly schemes?

To the extent that business men are fooled by these smear tactics and accept the propaganda at face value, in that measure they are aiding and abetting the enemies of this country to firmly established Communism here.

A good friend in Seattle has advanced the suggestion that the reason Acheson defended Hiss was because he feared Hiss might cut loose and tell the truth about the State Department.

### DALLAS WOMEN FORM AMERICANS FOR NATIONAL COALITION

A group of prominent Dallas women, headed by Mrs. D. E. Waggoner have formed an organization which they are calling "Americans for National Coalition."

Regardless of any effective following which the organization may or may not develop, the fact that women are doing independent thinking and seeking to stir others of their sex from their sluggish mental attitude, is encouraging and wholesome.

"Today the very principles upon which our Republic stands are under heavy attack throughout the world" a publicity release of the new group states.

"There is now a greater need for change in the executive branch of our government than ever before in the history of our nation."

"We, a group of interested citizens of the great Southwestern part of the nation, feel that the greatest service can be rendered our country through a coalition movement which has as its object the drafting of a man, irrespective of political party affiliation, who realizes the need for a reduction in government spending, a lowering of taxes and, above all, in giving the people a chance to make the most of their lives."

"If we are to succeed, Americans must join in this non-partisan movement to secure for this nation a conscientious and fearless leader."

It is understood that General Dwight D. Eisenhower is the choice of the group which also includes among its sponsors Mrs. Leonard Volk, Mrs. R. E. L. Saner, Mrs. Hilton R. Greer, and Mrs. Burdah Weeks Adams.

### Who Would Like Some Nice Dried Buzzard Eggs?

We have been wondering if the eighty-nine million dollars worth of dried eggs which the Commodity Credit Corporation is holding in storage includes any of this product imported from China.

If so, the Pure Food and Drugs Department should be compelled to analyze it before it is sold or even given away.

When the Underwood tariff law was being written back in the twenties witnesses appearing before the Ways and Means Committee testified that the thrifty Chinese when preparing this product for export did not stop at hen's eggs but robbed buzzard's nests as well and that they also included snake eggs, turtle eggs and any other kind lying around loose in the mixture which they processed and sold to foreign countries under the heading of "dried eggs."

A Dallas man says that in view of the shortage of the product, he is going to plant Irish potatoes in his flower beds.

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## Robber Barons in Washington Who Steal By Statute

Miss Vivien Kellems the Connecticut manufacturer who won our unbounded admiration and respect when she stood alone and fought the political robber barons in Washington who steal by statute, is getting recruits to her cause in increasing numbers.

The first person in the United States to defy the Treasury Department to make a tax collecting agency of private business concerns, Miss Kellems' nerve has helped put steel in the spines of many citizens who, without her fearless leadership and example, would have accepted this indignity along with all others which the New Deal and Fair Deal gang has rammed down the citizens' throats.

Latest to condemn the despicable practice of the Treasury Department in seizing a citizen's salary before it ever finds its way into his pocket is the powerful Charlotte, North Carolina, Observer.

Coming from a state where the wild and reckless expenditure of government money has resulted in contaminating the political morals of the people to such an extent that they send long-haired radicals to the Senate and allow a leading University in their midst to offer a course in Communism, this editorial is significant:

The Fair Dealers have found the withholding tax such an easy way to get money out of the taxpayers without raising a storm of protest that they are now planning to use it on corporations and stockholders.

If the Fair Deal Group, whose chief occupation is thinking up new ways to get the people's money and spend it, have their way, corporations would be required to withhold 10 per cent of all the dividends they declare and pay it over to the government before any payment is made to the stockholders.

The stockholder, therefore, would find part of his money seized by the government before he ever sees it, just as the wage earner or the salaried man gets only what is left after the government takes its cut out of his earnings by a highhanded and very questionable method of seizure.

It is questionable because it is an unwarranted confiscation of private property to which the government has no moral right and only a very shady legal right.

Under our American system of jurisprudence, and according to the plain words of our Bill of Rights, the seizure of private property is justifiable only to satisfy a just and legal debt. The existence of the debt must be proved, and it must also be proved that all reasonable means have been used to collect the debt and that the debtor will not pay, before any court will permit the seizure of the property.

But under the withholding tax, the government seizes private property where no debt exists. Taxes are not calculated on the basis of a man's weekly or monthly pay, but on the basis of his annual income. Therefore, no debt exists until the annual income is complete. This raises a serious question as to whether this seizure is according to due process of law or not.

Moreover, the withholding tax is demoralizing to the citizen. He no longer thinks of his salary as the whole amount, but only as the part left after the government takes its forced cut. The tax has been made invisible and painless, and he does not protest. When the taxpayer does not complain about his taxes, the government is encouraged to collect more and more and spend more and more.

No wage earner has contested this seizure of his property in the courts because it takes about \$50,000 to take a case through the Supreme Court, and very few wage earners have \$50,000 for that purpose. Moreover, with the Supreme Court packed as it is, he would not have much chance of winning the case if he did contest it.

If the withholding tax is applied to corporations and to their dividends, maybe we

## Extra! Candidate's Platform With No Socialistic Proposal

A citizen of New Jersey has announced as a candidate for Congress and while the concern of the Southern Conservative is in principles and not in any particular aspirant for office, we must say that he offers one of the few platforms embodying one hundred per cent American statesmanship which it has been our pleasure to read in recent years.

First, he advocates the abolishment of the income tax without adding a substitute pointing out truthfully that this tax is not an American principle but a Socialistic concept whose objective is the destruction of private ownership and wealth.

The present income tax of \$20,000,000,000 paid by 79,000,000 citizens of the various States to the Federal government would be kept by American families to add to their purchasing power thereby increasing the nation's production and paving the way for real and permanent prosperity, under his plan.

His platform calls for the adoption of the Hoover Commission's recommendations for saving from three and one-half billion to four billion dollars annually to taxpayers and also a list of economies prepared by Senator Harry F. Byrd of Virginia which would save taxpayers an additional five and one-half billion dollars annually.

He expresses unalterable opposition to various "valley authorities" in which government competes with private business and advocates that those already in existence should be sold to private utilities.

He opposes Federal Aid to education with resultant control of the schools of the country by the Federal government.

He favors tightening of our immigration laws until we have been able to absorb economically and culturally the millions who have come into this country legally in the past ten years and the deportation of those who have come in illegally. This he points out would be a protection for labor as well as the general public for "every time an alien enters Ellis Island the job of some American citizen is threatened."

He advocates a discontinuance of the bipartisan foreign policy and feels that the Republican party should set up a strong policy of its own.

He calls for the restoration of the power of Congress to impose tariffs as opposed to the present Reciprocal Trade Agreements.

He points out that current subsidies to agriculture cannot long be continued, having already cost the American taxpayers \$14,500,000,000; opposes the Socialistic Marshall plan; the application of anti-trust laws to all monopolies whether business, labor or agriculture; opposes Federal lobbyists; Socialized medicine; F.E.P.C. Legislation; opposes changing the system of electing a president to a majority, instead of an electoral vote; and advocates the preservation of the Rights of States.

Altogether it is a document to bring joy to the hearts of real Americans and nowhere in it is there a Socialistic vote-catching proposal.

We have never heard of the man before but it will be interesting to watch and see the reaction to the unprecedented act of a candidate in this year of our Lord 1950, in offering for office on a platform of pure, unadulterated Americanism.

How many families are there in this country today who don't have at least one member, "in-law" or close relative who is a victim of Washington political propaganda to the extent that they would be totally unable to conceive and give birth to an independent and original thought without first taking an anesthetic?

shall see a test of the seizure in court. Many corporations and many of their stockholders have the means to fight it out. In the present court they would probably lose, but it ought to be tested anyway.

## EDGAR B. CHURCHILL AND MORTIMER S. ROOSEVELT

(From the New York Sunday News)

The New York Times and Life magazine between them are performing a public service by printing big portions of Winston Churchill's World War II recollections almost as fast as they steam off the point of Mr. Churchill's power-packed pen.

We've been greatly interested in the latest installments, to be printed in Vol. 3 of the Churchill World War II memoirs. Much of this material has to do with how the British Prime Minister acted as the Edgar Bergen, champion puppet manipulator, to U. S. President F. D. Roosevelt's Mortimer Snerd.

Snerd is the dumber of the two dolls operated by the original Edgar Bergen, Charlie McCarthy, being the other.

From the war's outbreak in September, 1939, Mr. Churchill did his best to get the United States into the fight—which, as a loyal Britain Firster shopping for any and every possible ally, he had a right to do. But in Roosevelt he found a most willing helper, or errand boy—which Roosevelt had no right to be. Some specific instances:

1. Atlantic Charter Conference, Aug. 9-12, 1941, four months before Pearl Harbor. At the meetings in Placentia Bay, Newfoundland, on the British battleship Prince of Wales and the U. S. cruiser Augusta, Churchill drew up the bulk of the famed and phony Atlantic Charter.

Then the conferees turned their attention to Japan. Roosevelt's plan was to hand the Japanese a series of demands which they could not accept. Object: to delay U. S.-Japanese negotiations a month or so, while the U. S. got ready as best it might for the Jap attack the demands were expected to provoke.

Churchill says he wrote the last paragraph of the planned note to Japan: "Any further encroachment by Japan in the Southwest Pacific would produce a situation in which the United States Government would be compelled to take counter-measures, even though these might lead to war between the United States and Japan."

The note went to Tokyo a few days later, and was taken there as an ultimatum. Churchill's evidence shows that his mouth-piece Roosevelt intended it as such.

2. A letter to Gen. Jan C. Smuts, South African Prime Minister. Mr. Churchill wrote this letter Nov. 9, 1941, to explain how his friend Roosevelt was hobbled by the Constitution's provision giving Congress, not the President, the power to declare war.

Churchill reported that Roosevelt had told him: "I may never declare war; I may make war. If I were to ask Congress to declare war they might argue about it for three months."

Roosevelt was already making war. His "shooting order" to the Navy, regarding German and Italian warships found in the North Atlantic, had gone out long before the Smuts letter was written. On Churchill's evidence, Roosevelt was willing to make unofficial war indefinitely, in complete contempt of Congress.

3. Pearl Harbor Day in Britain, Dec. 7, 1941. Mr. Churchill was at Chequers that Sunday, and with him were two Americans—W. Averell Harriman and U. S. Ambassador John G. Winant.

When the radio reported that the Japs had bombed Pearl Harbor, Mr. Churchill was overjoyed. This meant the triumph of his long maneuvering to get the United States all the way into the war. You can understand his glee, whether you admire it or not.

But his two American friends, by the Churchill account, were almost as charmed as was the British Prime Minister. He reports no expressions of regret from them; no indication of grief that some Americans must have been killed and wounded (2,343 killed, as it turned out later).

Indeed, says Churchill, Winant's only re-

## We Can't "Hiss" the Name of Harding Any More

As the blood-curdling and spine-chilling revelations of wholesale treason on the part of Federal government employees continue to unfold, through disclosures in the "Amerasia" case and others, one can't help but wish that we could return to the state of political morality which prevailed during the administration of Warren G. Harding.

The comparatively minor misdeeds of Gaston Means, Harry Daugherty and Albert B. Fall seem, in retrospect, like acts of charity and virtue when weighed in the scales with the mass betrayal of the American people by the political hoodlums and Red stumblebumps who have swarmed around the 'New Deal' and 'Fair Deal' like vultures over a rotting carcass.

After all, the only malefactions charged against the hangers-on of the Harding regime had to do merely with attempts to connect up illegally with extra folding money and no question of their loyalty to their country was ever raised and by no stretch of the imagination could it have been claimed that they traded with the enemies of the United States, with the security of the American people as the stakes.

In other words, it has taken a couple of decades of organized 'New Deal' and 'Fair Deal' corruption to enable us to make a correct evaluation of the political transgressions of the Teapot Dome period of history which shocked our sensibilities at the time but which, in the light of later events, appear as harmless and innocuous as a couple of old women gossiping over the backyard fence.

## Palestine Turns Down Federal Housing Project

The small city of Palestine in East Texas earned a place on the honor roll recently by refusing Federal aid from Washington in its public housing program.

In the manner of good Americans since the beginning of the Republic, Palestine officials insisted on managing their own affairs without outside help and rejected a \$47,000 preliminary grant for planning.

A resolution was adopted by their City Council officially refusing to participate in a Federal project which would have included 125 low-rent units costing around \$1,000,000.

"We felt that in a time of prosperity there was plenty of incentive for private enterprise to fulfill housing needs without resorting to Federal help," a spokesman said.

There are reported to be approximately three million unnaturalized Europeans in this country and more pouring in every day—many of them drawing pay for not working or enjoying some other form of American charity.

marks when talking to Roosevelt a few minutes later by transatlantic telephone were "Good, good," and "Ah." These American sub-puppets of Snerd Roosevelt evidently were delighted.

To Mr. Churchill, to the New York Times, and to Life, the American people owe a debt of gratitude, we believe, for these and numerous other Churchillian pieces of evidence against the myth that Roosevelt was a great statesman and humanitarian. As the truth gradually fights its way onto the record of history, he shines forth ever more brightly as a would-be dictator, a born warmonger, a hater of the U. S. Constitution which he was sworn to uphold, and an eager chore-boy to his British masters beyond the seas.



## ICE BOXES CONTINUE IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Refrigerators seem to continue to play a part in the 'Fair Deal' administration of the government.

The latest comedy in connection with ice boxes was played at Fort Worth at a Government housing project known as "Liberator Village".

It seems they have some kind of rule to the effect that all those who occupy the houses in this Federally controlled area are compelled to get their ice boxes from the government for which their rent is raised three dollars per month, after the installation of each box.

Sometime ago the government was unable to supply these refrigerators and several housewives went ahead and bought their own and had them installed.

When the government finally got a supply of the boxes, their agents insisted on putting them in the houses where the women had their own refrigerators. They refused to let the government equipment be put in their kitchens for the very logical reason that they already had one ice box and didn't want two.

This confused and frustrated the representatives of the government housing project whose rule book did not tell them what to do in such a contingency. There was a rule that the boxes must be put in and, as their single-track minds viewed the matter, they had to put them in even if they had to stack them on top of those owned by the women occupying the houses.

Not being government employees themselves, the women took a common sense view of the matter, stood in the door, placed their arms akimbo and dared the government men to move in with the second boxes.

Finally, in desperation, the local government representatives appealed to Washington for a special ruling and, after weeks of cutting of red tape, it was decreed that the government would not compel the occupants of the houses to accept the government refrigerators if they already owned one.

The ruling was nothing new to the irate housewives. They had made this decision when the matter first came up.

## 'Robinhood View Of Life'

In a speech made in Portland, Ore., Rep. Ralph W. Gwinn of New York, said: "What we have in this country today is a 'Robin Hood' view of life, and it is a program which is pure exploitation, and pure rationalization. Robin Hood robbed the merchants with the ostensible purpose of distributing the 'take' among the poor, but you noticed he always rode an excellent horse and had a well-equipped retinue. . . . After we have exhausted the rich man, the corporations and the creative group, then will come the working man."

The apathy with which the public regards the sorry financial mess our government is in is one of the worst current signs. We have a national debt of more than \$250 billion. We also have very large governmental tax revenues, due to high employment and business activity. Yet we will run a deficit of \$5 billion or more during this fiscal year—and if some of the big spending "social welfare" schemes which were tabled by Congress last session are approved during the next, future deficits will probably be far larger.

Any economist will tell you that we have just about reached the limit in getting money out of the corporations and the wealthy people—they are taxed to the hilt now. If more tax revenue is needed, the man of small and moderate means will have to provide it. It is that man who has the greatest interest in cutting every avoidable expense in government, and returning to fiscal sanity.

The Robin Hood idea will eventually bankrupt us all.—Colorado Springs (Colorado) Gazette-Telegraph.

## SUPREME COURT MAKES A DECISION IN KEEPING WITH CONSTITUTION

It is not clear whether or not the Supreme Court is finally beginning to recognize the principle of States Rights as a fundamental concept of our form of government or whether a recent ruling of that body was due to the fact that even a blind hog sometimes finds an acorn, but any way, they made at least one fair and just ruling, and one which is in line with the Constitution.

They have decreed that the State of Georgia has a right to decide who shall vote inside its borders.

We had the jump on them, however, because we decided that a long time ago and have always held that every State in the Union has a constitutional right to transact its own affairs without assistance or interference from the Federal government.

It is encouraging to see our highest tribunal veering, if only temporarily, back towards the standards and moral-ethics of the Court in the days of John Marshall when that august body was a model of fairness and impartial justice, administered without fear or favor and which continued to be its policy until Roosevelt became president and stacked it with 'New Deal' partisans.

The recent decision of the Court in regard to Georgia upheld the county unit system of that State which gives rural voters a preponderance of influence in elections in that commonwealth of the union.

That is a system which seems to suit a majority of the citizens of Georgia which is all that counts.

## NACM ANALYZES BRITISH ELECTION RESULTS

In a recent letter to its members, the National Association of Credit Men made a clear and logical analysis of British election results in which it said:

"The meaning and consequence of the recent British election can now be more accurately evaluated. The election confirmed the definite trend from socialistic programs, a trend which began in Europe with the Conservative victories in Belgium, Austria, Western Germany, Italy and a slight Conservative shift in France. Then, New Zealand and Australia confirmed the free world swing toward more conservative government. These election results mean that, as far as the people of Europe are concerned, it will be much more difficult to sell them Communism.

"Those with leftist leanings in this country, who believe in a shift of power and responsibility from local to centralized government, are hard pressed to explain the results of the British election. However, they ingeniously try to emphasize that the Conservative party in England did not challenge much of the socialistic program. Others express the view that the British election proved that a "me too" or "we will do it better and cheaper" campaign could pay off. Since the Conservative party won a moral victory in England they argue that such a campaign need not be a failure. They seek to defend the type of campaigns we have experienced in our own country in recent years and feel the English elections helped their argument. There is, of course, no way to know what would have occurred had the British Conservatives challenged most of the socialistic program. It is just as reasonable to presume that since the English people were fed up on the present program the shift to the Conservative party might have been greater had the party challenged the socialistic program from top to bottom.

"Many people feel the minority party in our own country should take a courageous stand. There must be a real difference between programs if you are going to enlist new members to your party or convert the dissatisfied opposing party members to your cause."

## HOW BIG IS A BILLION!

(Contributed by a reader)

In these days we hear so much of a billion for this and a billion for that, and of government deficits running into several billions. It has been used so often that now it rolls off the tongue with ease. But just how BIG is a Billion Dollars? It looks like just a small "1" with a string of zeros after it. \$1,000,000,000.00.

Recently somebody told me that a man, born the same year as Christ, with One Billion Dollars to his credit, and which he was to give away at the rate of One Thousand Dollars each and every day, on the agreement that he would live as long as the money lasted, WOULD STILL BE ALIVE AND WOULD HAVE MANY YEARS YET TO ANTICIPATE.

It seemed unbelievable, and so I got out my pencil and a piece of paper, with the following results:

\$1,000 per day for 365	days, or one year . . . . .	\$ 365,000.00
1,949 years @ \$365,000.00 . . .		711,385,000.00
Plus 485 extra days for		
Leap Years . . . . .		485,000.00

Total given away through		
December 31, 1949 . . . . .	\$711,370,000.00	
Balance left to be given		
away . . . . .	\$288,130,000.00	
\$288,130,000.00 @ \$1,000 per		
day . . . . .	288,130 days	
Allowing 365 days per year		
and 197 extra days for		
leap years, 288,130 days		
. . . . .	788 years and 283 days	

Thus, this man would give away his last \$1,000 on November 9, A. D. 2737.

The above figures do not take into account such items as gift taxes, estate taxes, transaction taxes, and hidden taxes, which might easily have finished off our imaginary philanthropist long ago. YOU figure those out!

## States Rights Newspaper Resumes Publication

The States Righter, an eight-page newspaper which was first issued in 1948, has resumed publication and will hereafter be issued regularly on the first and fifteenth of each month, it has been announced in Jackson, Mississippi, where the paper is published.

The publication, as its name implies, is to be devoted to the cause of States Rights and its sponsors have pledged themselves to carry on the fight for this principle until after the campaign in 1952.

There is a definite field for a newspaper of this type and a valuable service to be rendered in helping to restore government to its original purposes and to bring about a return of the immortal principle of States Rights.

In fact, those publications which advocate sound principles of government are very much in the minority and greatly outnumbered by radical sheets which have gone all out for Communistic doctrines advocated by the last two presidents of the United States in the past seventeen years.

During the early days of the "New Deal" it became quite fashionable to be a radical with the result that the left-wing writers sprang up all over the country and penetrated the publishing business to such an extent that it is still difficult for sound, conservative Americans to get publication of their offerings.

We sincerely hope that the States Righter is successful in accomplishing its patriotic mission to bring back the fundamental principles on which the government of this country was founded.

The paper will serve as the official organ of the National States Rights Committee of which former governor Ben Laney of Arkansas is Chairman.

## THE PRESIDENT AND HIS "NON-POLITICAL" TOUR

The president of the United States has begun his "non-political" tour paid for by the taxpayers of the nation which has come to be an accepted part of the ritual of deception indulged in by modern national leaders and helped along by the stupidity and indifference of the electorate.

Strangely enough, this "non-political" excursion will take him only to those areas where left-wing Congressmen and Senators face a stiff fight for reelection.

By some peculiar oversight on the part of those who arranged the itinerary, those States in the South where the CIO is putting up a million dollar battle against members of Congress who voted for the Taft-Hartley law and who also prevented its repeal by the present Congress, have been excluded from the list of places to be visited by the Chief Executive.

And the tragic aspect of the comedy is that the ward-heel politician who was catapulted to public notice by the Pendergast underworld political machine of Kansas City, will be able to accomplish some results by inspiring to political action those intellectual robots and mental goose steppers who comprise the rank and file membership of the "Fair Deal" party in the States which he will visit.

## A Russian Analyst

Georg Gallupski, whose opinion polls of the Russian people are regular features of Tass and Pravda, was brilliantly vindicated by the election of members to the Soviet Union's parliament.

Gallupski said there was going to be an election, and there was.

Gallupski said that, since the best men possible were going to be candidates, there was no point in an opposition slate, and there wasn't.

Gallupski said that the contest was between those who think the police state is marvelous and those who think it is wonderful, and this analysis proved to be accurate.

Gallupski said that the percentage of the registered voters would be nearly 100 and that the percentage of those voting who favored the party slate would be nearly 100. And, by Georg! again he was right.—St. Louis Star-Times.

"Fair Deal" Democrats in commenting on the defeat of Senator Claude Pepper of Florida, said that it was a personal fight and had no bearing on the national political situation. Another statement which had been prepared for release in the event Pepper had won the election, stated that his "great victory in Florida indicated a trend toward the election of a more 'Liberal' Congress this Fall." Fortunately Smathers' smashing victory killed off the release of the latter statement.

From Ollie M. James, the "Innocent Bystander" in the Cincinnati Inquirer: "Men Stand Back. When the ladies start pulling hair and slugging each other with their pocketbooks, we usually run, rather than walk, to the nearest exit. So we ain't going to have any part of the matter wherein a Texas Newspaperwoman named Ida M. Darden has started a "My Night" column . . ."

If Senator Tydings had shown as much friendship for the New Deal as he has for the Fair Deal and had tried to cover up for Roosevelt as he is doing for Truman, he probably would never have been the victim of an unsuccessful "purge" by Roosevelt. His partiality for those who are charged with Communistic leanings makes him totally unfit to act as Chairman of the Senate Committee supposed to be trying to run down Communism in the State Department.



## FAMOUS AUTHOR AND EDITOR PAYS TRIBUTE TO SOUTHERN CONSERVATIVE

April 22, 1950.

Dear Mrs. Darden:

Enclosed herewith is my check for five issues, at a dollar per each, of *THE SOUTHERN CONSERVATIVE*. My conscience smites me, after recalling that line in the April issue—"How the Southern Conservative is financed" . . . It reads "We are suffering from an over-supply of admirers who have showered our work with compliments but who seem in no danger of becoming afflicted with check writer's cramp."

BURTON RASCOE,  
New York, N. Y.

## WE'LL TAKE AMERICANISM

The following are definitions of different types of government under which nations live, or have lived in the recent past, sent in to us by Mr. George C. Charlton, prominent attorney of Tomball, Texas:

### SOCIALISM:

You have two cows. You give one to your neighbor.

### COMMUNISM:

You have two cows. You give both to the government and the government gives you part of the milk.

### FASCISM:

You have two cows. You keep the cows, give the milk to the government and the government sells part of the milk back to you.

### NAZISM:

You have two cows. The government shoots you and takes both cows

### NEW-FAIR DEALISM:

You have two cows. The government shoots one cow, milks the other and pours the milk down the sewer.

### CAPITALISM:

You have two cows. You sell one and buy a bull.

### AMERICANISM:

You now have a cow and a bull. Just give nature a chance and you will soon be looking for a ranch to stock.

## TRUMAN'S VETO OF THE KERR BILL

The Kerr bill exempting Southwestern natural gas producers from Federal regulation is understood to have had the full approval of the president until after its passage when it exploded in his face and caused him to do some quick back-tracking and double-dealing.

It seems that he had been assured that there would be little opposition to it and on this basis had given the go-ahead signal to Senator Scott Lucas and Speaker Sam Rayburn, and assured others interested in the bill that he would sign it.

When the advocates of government regulation and other Reds who watch such things carefully took out after him and threatened him with the loss of votes in 1952, he did a right-about-face and proved again that any solemn promise he makes is nothing more than an "Oklahoma Guarantee."

## Southwide Rebellion Against Civil Rights Is Urged

At the meeting of States Rights leaders held in Jackson, Mississippi, on May 10, plans were laid for a two-year fight on the Socialist program of the Truman administration.

The Third annual meeting of the States Rights body was attended by representatives from 14 States and thousands of Mississippians were included in the gathering.

Resolutions passed at the meeting urged a Southwide rebellion against the passage of Civil Rights legislation and other measures which clearly invade the rights of the several states to deal with their own internal affairs.

An encouraging development was a report from two hundred States Rights members among students at Baylor University at Waco who assured the meeting through their representatives that they have recruits on every college campus in Texas who will act as shock-troops for house-to-house work in the proposed intensive campaign for Southern States.

Other resolutions condemned deficit spending, socialized medicine, and other policies of the "Fair Deal" administration.

## Government Shows Usual Short-Sighted Policy

With characteristic inefficiency and short-sightedness which has marked national administrations for the past seventeen years, the 'Fair Deal' in a phony economy move, has cut the personnel of the postoffice department.

With more than eighteen hundred useless bureaus, commissions and agencies, employing millions of unnecessary persons to do nothing, they whittle down on the one branch which renders a service to all the people.

The complaint is made that the postoffice department is operating under a deficit. What of it? Thanks to Truman's capacity for squandering, the whole government is operating under a deficit, so why pick on the postoffice department in retrenching.

The postoffice department is not a business, but a public service and if it is operating at a loss, no intelligent taxpayer will object.

They have every right to howl when their money is wasted in competition with private business, such as the Lustron Corporation deal, to mention just one instance, in which millions of dollars were poured down a rat hole when the government engaged in the real estate business.

But in the case of the reduction of the number of employees in the postoffice department, taxpayers should denounce the ill-advised movement to reduce the personnel of one of the few branches of the Federal government which is worth its salt.

We hope the administration is swamped with protests against cutting down on practically the only hard-working group of employees in government service.

We were informed by the press recently that another major scandal was about to break involving Communist infiltration at the Army Finance Center but so far nothing has come of it. Or maybe it has been broken, but in the shuffle we didn't notice it. There seem to be so many scandals just under the surface ready to break into the open that they no longer make the headlines.

## DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES OF THE SOUTHERN CONSERVATIVE

The following principles on which the Southern Conservative is founded will appear in each issue of the paper hereafter:

Those of us who are responsible for initiating the Southern Conservative plead guilty to the charge of being hopelessly old-fashioned as we love our own country with a blind and passionate devotion, above all others on earth.

We find ourselves without the slightest desire to change our form of government to conform to foreign ideologies or to attempt to re-shape it in the Soviet mold.

We are convinced that those who founded this Republic framed the greatest instrument for the government of men ever devised by human mind.

We wish to deny, before it is made, the charge that we are subsidized by any special interests or that our undertaking is just another scheme dreamed up to attract the support of big business.

In our discussions of State and National issues, we shall show no more partiality to the Tycoons of Industry than we shall to the Czars of Labor.

In fact, we seem to remember that some of the biggest business men in the nation teamed up with labor union racketeers in playing ball with the New Deal when that economic atrocity was riding the crest and have continued to string along with its more vicious counterpart currently administering the government in Washington.

The courage, integrity and patriotism which must be commanded if the Republic is to survive will not be found exclusively among representatives of big business or leaders of labor unions.

It must be drawn from that vast group of average Americans who ask nothing of government except that it secure them in their inalienable right to work, to save and to keep a reasonable share of the fruits of their toil.

We are against the domination of government either by big business or big labor and we maintain that favoritism to either group on the part of a State or National administration is un-American, immoral and a flagrant abuse of power.

As to political affiliations, we acknowledge allegiance to neither of the two major parties.

As presently constituted, both are so shot through with radicalism as to render them incapable of resolving the serious problems confronting the Republic.

We acknowledge our indebtedness to the courageous and patriotic Coalition Block of sound-thinking Democrats and Republicans in both Houses of Congress which has prevented Communistic influences from complete domination of our Federal government.

We are opposed to the reckless squandering of the taxpayers' money by incompetent, irresponsible and improvident public officials and we contend that taxes should be levied for purposes of revenue only and not to punish the rich, reward the poor or redistribute the wealth.

We are firmly committed to the principle of States Rights and we hold that the people of an ypart of the United States are entitled to maintain their own social customs and traditions without interference from politicians seeking votes to perpetuate themselves in power.

We are unequivocally in favor of Free Enterprise as opposed to government ownership of business and insist on the responsibility of every American to seek to improve his social and economic condition through initiative, energy and thrift rather than leaning on the arm of government for support.

We concede to every man the right to work and the opportunity of profitable employment regardless of whether he does, or does not, belong to a labor union.

On the other hand, we claim for the employer the irrevocable right to hire and fire his employees without instructions from any government agency or intimidation by Federal Police.

We feel that at this crucial time in history, it is imperative that newspapers and other groups seeking to influence public opinion should exert every effort within their power to help preserve our republican form of government, our Free Enterprise system and American way of life. We shall exert all our energies to that end.

These are the sentiments of the SOUTHERN CONSERVATIVE and although ours may be only one small voice crying in the wilderness, we will fight for fundamental American principles, as we understand them, without apology to any man or set of men.



## MY NIGHT

By the Editor

I was very deeply grieved over the defeat of Senator Salt and I feel that the failure of the people of his State to re-elect him is a great tragedy and definite blow to the cause of social reform in government.

Aside from my personal friendship for him, I have always had a strong admiration for that quality of political astuteness which has enabled him to achieve recognition in Washington as a great Liberal were he worked tirelessly for Civil Rights, FEPC, and other progressive legislation and, at the same time, permitted him to be regarded as a Conservative in his own State.

Since his constituency is composed largely of the provincial, ignorant and uneducated class which one so often finds in Southern States, I have always felt that Senator Salt's dual position on social legislation was perfectly justified.

In view of his superior judgment over that of the primitive people of his State, it is obvious that he was more capable than they of making social decisions in the interest of the greatest good to the greatest number.

Hereafter, when I am compelled to be in the South, the feeling of sadness which I always experience when traveling in that backward area of the world, will be deepened by the realization that we are still burdened with an antiquated system of government which permits illiterate voters to select their own representatives in Congress when the matter could be so much more efficiently and intelligently handled by qualified organizations set up for the purpose, such as the CIO Political Action Committee.

I think that perhaps it was my feeling of frustration brought about by the defeat of Senator Salt which caused me to commit an unforgivable blunder last night when I opened the general session of Amalgamated Countries.

The mix-up came when I recognized Miss I. Eatem Blubber, delegate from Greenland, who spoke for an hour on her resolution demanding that countries with sub-zero temperatures be given first priority in the free distribution of surplus government central heating units by the Commodity Credit Corporation.

I was greatly embarrassed later when it was pointed out that I had previously allotted this particular time on the agenda to Chief Heap-Big-Burp of Alaska who was scheduled to discuss a proposed Federal Wigwam Authority for members of his tribe in the Stinkfeet Indian Reservation.

I apologized profusely to Chief Heap-Big-Burp who accepted the explanation with a gracious grunt, but the incident reminded me that I must be more particular in such matters in future if I am to continue to fill the role of chief architect of tomorrow's brave new world which has been assigned me with the unanimous approval of all the people of the United States.



## RADICAL FEMALES DO NOT REPRESENT AMERICAN WOMEN

The simple little column in this publication titled "My Night" which was begun so innocently in our first edition last January as a touch of humor among serious discussions, has gotten somewhat out of hand and the reaction to it is developing into something for which we had not bargained.

In addition to average readers all over the country who have written in by the thousands to commend us for the service they consider we are rendering by carrying it and to insist that we continue it, some of the most prominent writers and literary persons in the nation have joined in, assuring us that the country has "gone wild over it."

Right here, we want to make it clear that we do not take this as a tribute to our cleverness or ability as a writer for there are probably many others who could have done a far better job than we are able to turn out. It is only that we had the nerve to do it and they didn't.

We feel that we are merely a symbol for millions of Americans with a long-suppressed revulsion toward, and revolt against, blatant, left-wing females who have horned their way into the world's spotlight and set themselves up as representatives of American womanhood, when nothing could be further from the truth.

The majority of American women are fastidious in their choice of associates and do not trail off after every queer creature and creep who happens along and whose only claim to recognition is that their warped and kinky brain has cooked up a solution for the social ailments of the world.

Typical American women are loyal to their own country and its institutions and way of life and do not tie in with cliques and groups whose aims and purposes are known to be directed toward the overthrow of our form of government.

They do not rush to the defense of every suspected Communist who is charged with treasonable acts against the security of this nation nor do they urge Americans to surrender sovereignty in their own country and transfer their loyalty to a super world government dreamed up by visionaries and radicals of every color, creed and shade of political belief.

They do not deliberately trample under foot every established rule and precept which society has set up as a blueprint for human behavior nor work hard at the job of defying convention and flaunting tradition for the sheer love of attracting public attention.

In brief, we believe that millions of Americans have reached the breaking point and are fed up to the eyebrows with this unauthorized misrepresentation of American womanhood before the people of this and various other countries of the world and it seems that we have, unwittingly, become the rallying point for organized revolt and resentment against the perpetrators of this deception.

## ARE THE AMERICAN PEOPLE UTTER FOOLS?

We can't help but wonder if Harry Truman regards the American people as complete fools and, if so, if he isn't right about it?

It would seem to be high time that somebody called his hand in his attempt to put over his cute little joke about his current jaunt being "non-political" in order to compel American taxpayers to foot the bill for his partisan campaign to reelect 'Fair Deal' members of Congress to office this Fall?

It seems incredible that we have become so complacent to crookedness and resigned to corruption that we can witness with indifference, and even approval, the performance of this cheap little Pendergast politician in his low comedy act in which we are forced to act as "angels" of the bum show.

According to the popular vote in the last presidential election, many more than half the people of the United States are opposed to Mr. Truman and his Socialistic theories of government and they do not want, to finance his political junket nor underwrite his campaign expenses in behalf of left wing candidates for Congress.

And yet they are compelled to do so because our organic system of checks and balances no longer operates and because the executive department has become supreme over all others exercising absolute power unauthorized by the Constitution and without precedent in the history of the American government up to 1933.

In this connection, a few pertinent questions should be asked in behalf of the electorate and answers demanded of those authorized to speak in the matter:

How much is this "non-political" tour of the president, his family and friends costing the American people?

Who authorizes this particular expenditure and from what fund is it paid?

Is a record kept of the expenses of each member of the party and who checks the "swindle sheets" of each to see whether they are "padded" or not?

Is any arrangement made to insure that this expense will be borne by those who are supporters of Mr. Truman and who approve his Socialistic theories or must those of us who abhor his radical policies also pay our share?

Is there any similar fund, or will one be made available, for members of the opposition party, which also represents a great segment of the American people, to make a trip covering the same itinerary after Mr. Truman returns, in order to present the other side and to offset the misrepresentations he has made?

(Such as, for instance, informing the people of Wyoming that when Mr. Truman referred to the Teapot Dome scandal during his brief stop in that State, he neglected to remind them that he is undertaking, through his packed Supreme Court, to pull off the biggest steal in the history of organized government and appropriate the Tidelands which belong to the State of Texas, so he can add to his record for Federal squandering which already exceeds the expenditures of all presidents of the United States since the beginning of the Union.)

When the president and his party return will the total expense of the trip be added up and the cost to the taxpayers be made public through the press to the people who have to pay the bill?

## "WASHINGTON SCENE" GIVES OUR COLUMN MORE PUBLICITY

George Dixon, King Features Syndicate writer to whom we are eternally indebted for the national publicity he has given to our column "My Night" by reproducing it several times in his "Washington Scene" has picked us up once again.

This time our column has been illustrated as shown in the accompanying drawing from the Washington Times-Herald, although any resemblance between the little young cutie in the illustration and us is not discernible.



Mr. Dixon's preliminary comments on the April "My Night" column were:

"It's getting so I can hardly wait from month to month for the Southern Conservative to come out. A double-fortnight is too long to be away from my beloved Ida.

"My Ida, with whom I have never come face to face but whom I cherish and adore from afar, is Mrs. Ida M. Darden, the editor and publisher of the Southern Conservative.

"In her editorial bower in Fort Worth, Texas, where she directs the destinies of this publication dedicated to 'a return of constitutional government', she also does a column.

"It is this column that has made me Ida's slave. It is headed 'My Night' and if it has any resemblance to any other column of similar name, it is no coincidence."

The April column to which Mr. Dixon referred follows:

A few nights ago I had the pleasure of renewing acquaintances of other days and reminiscing with many former friends when I entertained with a Maypole Dance in honor of a group of intellectuals in the State Department.

I had previously planned the affair for the first night of May but, due to pressing engagements, I was compelled to advance the date to conform to my lecture schedule.

My secretary, Miss Bobson, who has very clever and original ideas in such matters was in charge of decorations and designed the party favors.

These consisted of miniature globes indicating the State Department's great sphere of influence and carried a motif of the hammer and sickle on one side and a group of dainty little fairies on the other.

The most attractive feature of the decorative scheme and the one which elicited the most extravagant expressions of praise and approval of the guests was the great profusion of pansies grouped in charming arrangement throughout the house and grounds.

At intervals during the evening guests were favored with beautiful vocal numbers given by the various members of a group of tenor singers in the Department's Near East Public Relations Division.

A note of culture and learning was contributed to the gathering by Dr. Calabash Gourdehead an economist in the Department of Agriculture whom I had invited to drop by during the evening and give his famous lecture on "The Effect of the Rays of the Moon on the Cultivation of the Dwarf Squash in Southwestern Rhodesia".

Later this versatile expert discussed informally with some of the older members of the group the subject of the over-production of potatoes in a Social Democracy and its relation to the devaluation of the British pound, while the younger and more exuberant guests took advantage of the beautiful moonlight night to engage in an exciting and spirited game of leapfrog.

The climax of the evening's entertainment was afforded by the Maypole Dance which never fails to thrill and delight me with its glamor, charm and beauty.

The grand prize for the most graceful performer in the group of dancers, a lovely hand-woven daisy chain, was unanimously awarded to a young man named A. Nance and who graciously responded to the compliment by rendering a beautiful and unique version of the Butterfly Dance.

Watching the rhythmic grace of his matchless performance in this most difficult number in terpsichorean repertoire, it was hard for the spectators to realize that this gifted and brilliant young dancer is regarded by State Department officials as one of their most valuable contacts and highest authorities on Queer Practices and Eccentric Customs among the Bantu Tribes in Equatorial South Africa.

Following light refreshments of caviar, borsch, black bread and vodka, our delightful evening came to a close.

Due to the lateness of the hour, I did not extend the courtesy which I invariably make it a rule to accord to any gathering in which I happen to find myself and that is an invitation to them to ask me questions on any and all subjects.

I hated to deny this privilege to my charming guests but felt that they would understand my failure to share my knowledge with them when I explained that I had to make a midnight train.

## TO READERS

There was a nice response to our appeal last month to those who are receiving the Southern Conservative to send in a contribution toward its support.

Most of them have done so, but there are many who have not yet gotten around to this little chore.

In order that they may not miss any edition of the paper we are continuing them on the list until June at which time those who have not responded will have to be removed from our rolls.