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CONSERVATIVE COALITION FORCES CHALK UP VICTORY FOR THE CAUSE OF GOOD GOVERNMENT IN 1950 NATIONAL ELECTION

Let's Investigate The Investigator

Washington political investigating committees have two methods of procedure.

If they are probing into the activities of honorable, upright and responsible Americans who are engaged in fighting Communism in this country, the Investigating Committee operates with a tar bucket and seeks to smear and discredit those engaged in such patriotic movements.

If, on the other hand, they are looking into subversive activities within the government, such as the charge of Communists in the State Department, for instance, they carry a pail of lime and undertake to whitewash each of those guilty of this form of treasonable behavior.

At this point, it seems to us that some sort of steps should be taken to investigate the investigator in the case of the Buchanan Committee which has haled respectable Americans before it for no other reason than they have been earnestly trying to prevent further infiltration of government agencies by Communists.

Who is Frank Buchanan who heads the committee and what is his background, and who are his associates and advisors? Why is he so much more concerned in trying to put good, patriotic Americans in jail than he is in running down Communists who are openly pledged to the destruction of the American form of government?

In the Congressional Directory appear the name, age, occupation and affiliation of all of the four hundred and thirty five members of Congress, except one.

This one exception is Frank Buchanan of McKeesport, Pennsylvania, who heads the Buchanan Investigating Committee of Congress. Following his name, there is a blank space, with no information whatever concerning his antecedents.

The American people are entitled to the full facts about this person and his background.

Acheson's Removal Is Only A Small Part Of The Solution

There is a very widespread demand for the removal of Dean Acheson as Secretary of State on the ground of his apparent partiality for Communists as reflected in his official actions and the policies of his department.

While of course the removal of any person from the Federal government service of Acheson's type is highly desirable and would greatly contribute to an improvement in political morals, we can't see that it would be the complete answer.

It would be like a surgeon cutting out only a small part of a cancer leaving the roots to grow and spread.

It is only when all adherents of the New Deal and Fair Deal are removed root and stock from the Federal government that our national economy can be retrieved from the corruption which permeates the whole Washington set-up.

A Question We Would Like To Have Answered

We will be eternally grateful if some one will explain to us how the United Nations is going to insure world peace when it is a member of the United Nations, Russia, which is now responsible for the war that is being waged against us in Korea?

It is also a member of the United Nations, Russia, which is responsible for the overthrow of the governments in the countries of Central Europe and for closing them in behind the Iron Curtain.

It is also a member of the United Nations, Russia, who, even when an ally of the United States had her agents here stealing secrets of a highly confidential nature such as the content of the atomic bomb for the purpose of manufacturing this deadly weapon to use against us in her own good time?

What do they mean, the United Nations will insure world peace?

Defeat of Fair Deal Party Leaders And Left Wingers Shows a Rainbow of Hope In Political Skies.

The results of the November 7th election were a definite triumph for the forces who hold that only by the vote of Conservative Democrats and Republicans can Constitutional government be returned to this Republic.

In each case where a Fair Dealer was unseated by a Republican, it was the combined vote of real Americans—both Democrats and Republicans—which is responsible for the result.

The Southern Conservative has advocated this policy in every edition of the paper and if we had even the most infinitesimal part in helping to achieve the results as indicated by the returns, we are grateful, for, to the extent that we have done our best in fighting the New Deal and the Fair Deal in season and out, we are a better American than those who have failed to lift their hand against organized corruption in Washington.

Out of the welter of heartening surprises attending the election, the American people should go down on their knees and thank the great Creator of us all for these wonderful blessings:

The complete snowing under of Jimmy Roosevelt in California, thus eliminating any possibility that this nation may ever again be threatened with another potential "leader" bearing that obnoxious name.

The complete and utter demolition of the corrupt CIO-PAC-ADA combination which openly and boldly assumed that it could purchase the votes of the people in a Sovereign State of this Republic with millions of dollars extorted from the Union slaves over which it holds dominion.

The undeniable repudiation of the present Labor government in Washington with its Communist-inspired program of Civil Rights, Socialized Medicine, Socialized Education, Centralization of Power and similar government policies brought in from alien lands.

The elimination from Congress of that vicious Radical, Vito Marcantonio who faithfully served the interests of Communists in the Halls of Congress without actually holding membership in that party and of his female counterpart, the third-rate California actress, Helen Gahagan Douglas.

The overwhelming defeat of Senator Millard Tydings who was once regarded as such a good, sound American patriot that Franklin D. Roosevelt tried unsuccessfully to purge him from the Senate.

Somewhere along the line he surrendered his convictions in favor of political expediency and brought dis-

repute on his home State of Maryland and the entire Nation by his white-wash and cover-up tactics in his supposed investigation of alleged Communists in positions of responsibility within the government.

His defeat was definitely in the best interests of this Republic.

The removal from the United States Senate of Scott Lucas of Illinois who has plugged for all the alien proposals sponsored by Roosevelt and Truman and who has shown the complete disregard for the fundamental principles underlying this Republic which characterizes all those of the New Deal and Fair Deal school of thought.

It has been claimed by close friends of Lucas that, in his heart, he was actually opposed to the Socialistic proposals which, as majority leader in the Senate he was forced to sponsor but, if so, it was not evident in his official actions and he gave a perfect imitation of a man who believed what he said.

The membership of the United States Senate has been appreciably elevated by the departure of Scott Lucas from its ranks.

The defeat by a large majority of Senator Elbert Thomas of Utah. Senator Thomas was chairman of the Labor Committee of the Senate and a stooge of the notorious CIO in that body. It is reported that he so greatly admired the Russians that he wrote books on the subject extolling the Soviet way of life.

The congratulations of all good Americans go to the people of Utah for kicking him out.

The ignominious defeat of Chester Bowles as governor of Connecticut. Of all the repulsive hangers-on around the New Deal Court, Bowles represented the most unwholesome type.

He belonged to the Harry Hopkins-Aubrey Williams segment who believed in exploiting the American taxpayers and laughing at the suckers while doing it.

"We will tax and tax, spend and spend and elect and elect" might well have been said by Bowles instead of by the Flophouse Philosopher from the Lower East Side of New York who moved into the White House to help Roosevelt rule the world.

Connecticut has gone a long way toward reclaiming national respect by sending this phony to the showers.

No reference to signs of returning Americanism is complete without a reminder of those earlier victories along this line when Claude Pepper of Florida and Frank Graham of North Carolina, both pronounced followers of Party Line policy, were retired from the United States Senate.

Next Edition Of Southern Conservative In January

Because of the holidays there will be no further edition of the Southern Conservative until January. In the meantime we hope to make progress in preparing for the publication of "My Night" in book form. See full details on page 7.

Millions of Americans Think It—The Southern Conservative Says It

WASHINGTON SCENE

By George Dixon

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Here's the introduction which will replace "Dr. Livingstone, I Presume" as the most heroic in all the annals of history: President Truman on Wake Island: "General MacArthur — meet General Vaughan."

Well, I got up to New York to see that show about Minister Mesta, "Call Me Madam," and I am gratified to be able to report that it doesn't do so badly by our Perle.

There were some things that were news to me. Until I saw the play I had no idea that Perle was madly in love with the finance minister over there. Blind fool that I am, I thought she was being true to me.

From time to time, in my role as a benefactor to depressed humanity, I have brought you the works of Ida Darden, editor of a militantly anti-Fair Deal paper published in Fort Worth, Tex., called the "Southern Conservative."

Ida does a column in a hauntingly familiar style except that hers is entitled "My Night." Here is Ida's latest:

"Naturally with a heavy volume of mail such as mine, a staggering number of letters are received reflecting suffering and destitution on the part of the underprivileged victims of our maladjusted social system and I find that I often have to steel myself against such human afflictions since I am unable to remedy the situation which brought them about.

"I received a communication from a woman last night, however, which has so distressed me that I am unable to put it completely out of my mind and I find myself with a growing resentment against conditions that have been allowed to build up in this country which completely ignore the fundamental rights and freedom of a large group of our citizens.

"In the hope that others may be aroused as I was over the tragic implications of this letter and perhaps be inspired to exert their influence in helping to bring about social reforms so badly needed in our democracy, I am reproducing her communication in full:

"Because of a chronic and incurable case of dishpan hands I am unable to continue in my profession as a faro dealer in a Reno night club.

"The advanced stage of the malady made it impossible for me to any longer manipulate the cards in the best interests of my employer and, as I have a highly developed sense of honor, I felt it my duty to resign.

"My husband has been unable to work for years due to acute and recurring attacks of five o'clock shadow, aggravated by a severe infection in his T-zone brought on by smoking the wrong brand of cigarettes.

"As soon as he learned that I had quit the job which has kept us in comfort during the period of his unemployment, he ran away with a blonde who has a responsible and lucrative position as a bare-back rider in a circus.

"As if this were not enough, my only son, who had a bright and promising future as a successful and rising young second-story man, fumbled his last job by stopping to read a racing form which he found in the living room of a home he was robbing, and was arrested by the cops.

"With my husband gone, my son in jail and myself unemployed, I am utterly despondent and especially since I am no longer able to meet the payments on a mink coat which I bought from a Russian employe of the United Nations who is financing his grandmother's lessons in ballet dancing by doing a little fur smuggling on the side.

"I have always tried to be a good citizen and have voted the New Deal

"Social Register Pinks" America's Real Enemies

The FBI has formally charged the Communist Party of the United States with being run by the government of Soviet Moscow.

This charge must have been for the record as every person of normal intelligence knows that American Communists' loyalty is to Stalin and that they are committed to the overthrow of our government.

This accusation was made as the Department filed a petition with the new Subversive Activities Control Board, asking that the Party be ordered to register with the Department, disclose its financing and list of all its members in this country.

Communists have so far refused to take advantage of the opportunity to register voluntarily under the 1950 internal security control law and will probably continue to refuse and will get by with it. Only loyal Americans seem to be subject to the penalties of the law in this country.

However, as we have pointed out many times in the past, the law designed to control Communist activities against the interests of this country cannot be applied against the real offenders.

These are not the actual members of the Communist Party but are those referred to by Fulton Lewis, Jr., as "Social Register Pinks."

It is they who have framed our foreign policy in China along lines of appeasement and who have permitted the sale of critical war material by this country to Communist China from which point it has been transferred to North Korea to be used in killing American soldiers.

It is also the members of this same group who are undertaking to shape our domestic policies to conform to Comintern ideals.

Examples are their attempts to mongrelize the white race in this country, the installation of Socialized Medicine, Socialized Education, redistribution of wealth through confiscatory taxation, centralization of power in Washington, FEPC legislation and all the rest of the Soviet-approved program which the Fair Deal administration seeks to put into effect.

These "Social Register Pinks" do not actually belong to the Communist Party but they are far more valuable to the cause of Communism than the actual party members and are greater traitors to this country than card-holding Communists.

and Fair Deal tickets straight for as long as I can remember.

"However, I have had no reply from Washington to my demand for unemployment insurance in the amount of \$500 per month and unless I receive this, I will be compelled to renounce my loyalty to the United States and become a Communist, which my Russian friend in the United Nations assures me will mean the end of all my troubles."

"While I do not think that this woman will find all her worries ended when she joins the Communist party, I fully understand and sympathize with her feelings in the matter even though I do not think that her decision is a wise one.

"It is only when we remove the inequalities in our own laws and recognize our responsibilities as a democracy in preventing such tragedies as this by passing proper legislation on social security, federal housing, federal aid to schools and socialized medicine that we shall be able to keep Americans such as this good woman from turning to communism as a way of life."

Who'sale Impeachment Proceedings Should Be Brought In Washington

New Mexican Pays Us High Compliment

Will F. Evans of Mesilla Park, New Mexico, ranchman, writer of wild life stories of the West and author of "Border Skylines" has complimented the last edition of the Southern Conservative in extravagant terms which are out of all proportion to the actual merit of the paper but which, being human, we are very proud to receive and reproduce:

"The October edition of the Southern Conservative is a masterpiece of pure, unadulterated Americanism.

"From cover to cover, it is one of the most outspoken and forceful indictments against the gang of goons in charge of our once proud government which I have ever read in any other paper or magazine in the country.

"You speak with the wisdom of many lawyers, and with the courage of many generals. Surely God has placed those words of authority at your command. Surely the natural gallantry of American manhood will come to the aid of one lone woman who has gone right into the den of thieves and is bringing them out by their Bolshevik beards.

"If, at last, a blinded and doped people come to their senses and come out of their swoon with blood in their eye in bitter retaliation against a tyrannical regime which has robbed them of their very birthright, a full measure of credit will go to you and your gallant fight against this great monster which has reached out its thousands of tentacles to crush them, body, soul and mind.

"I am sure that all red-blooded Americans who are proud of their priceless heritage, are joining with me in praying that your power to fight this inhuman ogre will expand one thousand-fold, until the varmints have tucked their tails and run to their holes which are not the abodes of men, but of beasts.

"I thank you from the bottom of my heart, for there was never a more crucial moment than the present to stop that mad egotist from cashing in on that fourteen-thousand mile flight to rub elbows with the man who whipped the North Koreans and who is going to see to it that the incident is magnified and used to his own benefit and that the attending publicity is going to be thrown in full blaze on himself.

"And the fool fourth-termers are likely to vote a life-time job for this piano player.

"This is where your paper comes in. With that publication, you are going to jerk the piano stool right out from under that haberdasher so quickly and suddenly that he won't know what happened.

"You can surely do it. More power to you."

Leslie Biffle, Secretary of the United States Senate and a longtime apologist for New Deal and Fair Deal corrupt practices said, following the recent election, that he did not think the vote should be interpreted as a sign that the nation is fed up with President Truman's policies. Oh no, of course not. The voters just beat the daylight out of Truman's leaders in the Senate just to show their personal regard and affection for him and their respect for his policies of government.

In this country we now have no Judicial Department of government but we have two legislative bodies—the Congress of the United States and the Supreme Court.

In complete disregard of the November election returns which indicated overwhelming disapproval of Truman's Socialistic proposals, including Civil Rights, and in the face of the fact that Congress, which is authorized by the Constitution to pass all laws by which the people must abide, refused to consider the Civil Rights proposals, the Supreme Court continues to step right in and act as a legislative body itself.

Composed largely of Truman's political stooges with Police Court backgrounds, the members of this body seem determined to accomplish by judicial ruling the Socialistic aims which have failed to be achieved by legislative procedure.

The latest step in this direction is an order from the Interstate Commerce Commission directing the Southern Railway to allow Negroes to eat in the same dining car with white people in future.

There is nothing wrong in Washington that wholesale impeachment proceedings would not cure.

Another Tragic Example Of Washington Stupidity

A revelation by the Senate Preparedness Subcommittee recently concerning the purchase and sale of surplus airplane parts by an East Texas farmer, provides a good example of the way the taxpayers' dollar is handled.

This farmer, according to the committee, bought \$1,200,000 worth of surplus airplane parts for exactly \$6.89 and then turned around and sold them back to the government for \$63,000.

It was reported that the farmer had a good laugh after the transaction was completed.

"The whole thing may be summed up by saying that the disposal agency was delighted to unload what they thought was a heap of junk on an unsuspecting country boy," was his comment.

We don't blame the farmer for laughing. We do blame the American people for tolerating such crookedness as this on the part of those alleged to represent the government in business transactions.

In the first place, why did a government agency buy \$1,200,000 worth of airplane parts for which they had no use?

In the second place, having bought them, why did the agency sell them for \$6.89?

In the third place, if they felt that the government had so little use for the parts that they were willing to sell them for \$6.89, why did they buy them back for \$63,000?

Perhaps this crude act of stupidity on the part of government officials is one of the very few reasons why the majority of forty million voters, in the recent election, cast their ballot against the corrupt and irresponsible gang in Washington known as Fair Dealers?

The understatement of the century: "I am beginning to think that, as a political force, labor is somewhat uncertain as a backer . . ." Eleanor Roosevelt.

Helen Gahagan Douglas of California was so badly beaten in her race for the United States Senate that she gave the impression of having been flattened out by a concrete mixer.

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**A helpless sparrow can
drift with the wind but it
takes an eagle to fly against
the storm.**

The Tenth Amendment To The Constitution of The United States:

The powers not delegated to
the United States by the Con-
stitution, nor prohibited by it
to the States, are reserved to
the States respectively, or to the
people.

Least of Two Evils In Pa. Senate Race

The race between former Governor Duff of Pennsylvania and Senator Francis Myers for a seat in the United States Senate from that State was a contest between a Democratic Fair Dealer and a Republican Fair Dealer and the Republican won.

We think it is well that he did win for perhaps he will be intelligent enough to sense the mood of American voters and will forsake the radical ideas he has held heretofore.

Senator Myers radical record was already written and cannot be expunged and so there is no hope for reformation in his case.

Labor Conspirators Are Enemies of America

Every American worker has the undeniable right to quit his job if he is dissatisfied with the wages he receives or with any other undesirable condition of his employment.

That is one of the many compensations and prerogatives of being a free American citizen.

He does not, however, have the moral right to enter into a conspiracy with others to bring about a general strike against an essential industry or concern and subject the public to hardship and suffering in order to blackmail employers to increase wages whether justified or not.

Any workers, or group of workers, guilty of this type of conspiracy against the public welfare are irresponsible members of society and are as much an enemy to this country and our way of life as the Communists who constantly agitate and plug for this kind of vandalism.

The real responsibility, of course, goes back to public officials who interpret and enforce the law in favor of labor hoodlums in order to corral the union vote.

To hold that a mass strike of workers against an employer in an attempt to cripple the industry involved is not a violation of the anti-trust law or that such action is not in restraint of trade, is merely an attempt to dodge the issue by cowardly politicians in high places who do not have the personal integrity or moral courage to face and deal with this evil in the American economy.

Many political writers believe that Governor James F. Byrnes of South Carolina will take advantage of the stinging rebuke given to Truman and his policies of government on November 7 and that Byrnes will organize a "Stop Truman" movement at the next national Democratic convention. Still others think that Truman is already stopped and that his third term ambitions were buried under the barrage of ballots which mowed down his entire bloc of administration leaders.

The November Election Was A "Conservative" Victory

When we started publication of the Southern Conservative last January, we little dreamed that the objectives of our paper would, in little less than a year, become the objectives of a majority of the voting population of the United States.

That is exactly what has happened for the recent election was a decided "Conservative" victory and a body blow to radicalism in both the Democratic and Republican parties.

The reason for this wholesome reaction on the part of American voters was that thousands of good Americans, including us, pulled a Paul Revere and warned the people of danger.

The apathy and indifference which prevailed in 1948 when election results showed a disastrous trend toward National Socialism or worse was absent in the 1950 balloting when an alerted electorate made wonderful progress on a job which must be completed in 1952.

Personally, our pride knew no bounds when following the election, and out of a clear sky, the owner and editor of one the nation's largest daily newspapers, published in the East, wrote us a personal letter graciously giving us our share of the credit for the reversal of sentiment between 1948 and 1950 as reflected in the election returns.

This courteous gesture on the part of the head of a great metropolitan newspaper is not only full compensation for whatever measure of service we may have rendered in the past but will spur us on to greater effort in the two crucial years ahead.

In our Declaration of Principles published in the first edition of the Southern Conservative and reproduced in all editions thereafter, we paid tribute to the courageous and patriotic coalition bloc of sound-thinking Democrats and Republicans in Congress which "has prevented Communist influences from complete domination of our Federal government."

This bloc has now been reinforced and strengthened by the ballots of coalition-minded voters to the point where it has practical, if not actual control of both Houses of Congress.

We announced firmly in favor of States Rights and of the right of the people of various sections of the country to maintain their own social customs and traditions.

This principle was upheld in the election returns and every Fair Deal leader who undertook to force Truman's Civil Rights legislation through Congress was slapped down at the ballot box, insuring that for two years, at least, none of these Communist-inspired proposals will be written into law.

Our position on labor union racketeers was also vindicated at the polls when Union Labor Commissars took the worst drubbing in history with the defeat of practically all members of Congress who had shamefully catered to their demands with complete disregard for the interests of all other groups and classes of society.

The job of retrieving the political leadership of the nation from the corrupt clique which has overrun the government like a pestilence for the past eighteen years can only be accomplished if the Republicans can rise to the occasion and meet the challenge head-on.

With Truman and the Labor Unions still in control of the party machinery, there is no more chance of the Democrats nominating a good American statesman for president in 1952 than there is of us being chosen as Miss America.

And so it is up to the Republicans whose first step in preparation for the

IF LABOR LAWS OF TEXAS ARE NOT ADEQUATE THEY SHOULD BE REVISED

One of the most outrageous performances in the long list of disgraceful actions by labor unions occurred in Houston last week in connection with the lawsuit of Brown & Root, contractors, to enjoin the unions from interfering with their building operations.

A union attorney, one Nat Wells, questioned Herman Brown, a member of the firm, for four days in the most insulting and intimidating manner to prove, he claimed, that "Mr. Brown contributed to the Texas Good Roads Association, the American General Contractors and the Texas Manufacturers Association and other organizations 'endeavoring to destroy organized labor'."

Since when has it become a crime for a citizen to contribute to such worthy organizations as the Texas Good Roads Association, the American General Contractors or the Texas Manufacturers Association, or any other organization that he may see fit to support?

The regrettable part of the affair is that such tactics as these are allowed in the trial of a case where the only question involved is the straight out matter of whether or not labor union goons have the right to interfere with the legitimate operations of a business firm against whom they may have a grudge.

Under the laws of Texas, they do not have this right but it is clear that the laws as they relate to organized labor, are not being enforced.

Our congratulations to members of the firm of Brown & Root for having the courage and the manhood to fight this matter out in the courts instead of cringing and covering before labor union thugs as far too many other concerns have done in the past.

Communists Score Another Victory

National Red Cross headquarters has announced that in future blood donor cards will no longer designate whether blood which is donated to blood banks is white, Negro or Oriental.

This decision was announced by the Board of Governors of that organization, but of course did not originate with them. It is part of the overall plan for complete mongrelization of the races and fits into the plan like a piece of a jigsaw puzzle.

We can visualize the smug smile on the face of Joe Stalin, in faraway Moscow as he is informed that his orders, one by one, are being carried out in this country.

We love Fulton Lewis, Jr.'s statement that Millard Tydings of Maryland was defeated by a man named Millard Tydings, for the United States Senate.

next national election should be to stamp out every vestige of radicalism within their party and eliminate all pink leaders from their ranks who are fully as objectionable to responsible Americans as those within the Democratic Party.

The American voters have indicated very forcefully that they are fed up with Socialistic policies of government regardless of whether such policies are advocated by Democrats or Republicans.

The Republicans should see to it that their strongest and most forthright leader is nominated for president at their national convention and he should be, above all, one who is committed to a return of Constitutional government in this country and for the re-establishment of fundamental American principles in our economy which have been abjectly surrendered, one by one, during the past eighteen years.

And while this is only wishful thinking, if the Republicans could rise to the full heights of greatness, disregard partisan considerations and select for second place on their ticket a man of similar stature, even if they have to go outside the fold and choose a Conservative Democrat, they would, in our humble opinion, have a winning team.

The coalition movement of sound-thinking Democrats and Republicans has grown to such proportions that it has overflowed the Halls of Congress and has spread among the people.

What a coalition of Republican and Democratic voters can do at the ballot box was demonstrated on November 7.

It could be repeated on a bigger scale in 1952.

Federal Aid To Schools Is A Government Subsidy

The Houston School Board will not sell out for "a mess of Nazi spinach" according to Ewing Werlein, member of the Board who has had to fight this menacing threat along with other Board members and citizens of Houston who oppose Federal control of the public school system.

"The majority of the Houston Board of Education would not accept Federal aid and, as a result of their refusal, they have been severely condemned by the Houston newspapers," Mr. Werlein stated.

"However, the majority of the Board have stood firm and have not and will not sell out for a 'mess of Nazi spinach.'

"How any self-respecting American citizen with red blood in his veins can stand idly by while his own children are placed on a Federal dole, is at the same time amazing and a travesty on the spirit and freedom and independence of the founding fathers of our Republic."

Commenting on Mr. Werlein's statement, the El Paso Herald-Post said:

We hail the Houston School Board for its devotion to true Americanism and we hope El Paso's School Board will show as much courage and good judgment.

The growth of national socialism, or Nazism, which the members of the El Paso board personally do not like, can not be halted if it is practiced in the schools.

It is being practiced here: "Take this eight cents," say the federal bureaucrats, "and feed your children what we order."

And the El Paso board has bent the knee and is taking the money, and is thus aiding in perverting the American way.

El Paso is well able to take care of her own needy. Let's do it.

The joke of the month: The action of the Federal Treasury Department in preparing and sending out, at taxpayers' expense, a booklet telling American citizens how to be thrifty and save money. Ye gods!

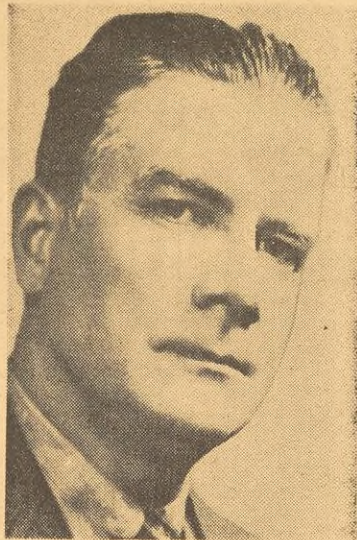
George Bernard Shaw, through the grace of the great Creator whose existence he denied, was permitted to live to the extraordinary age of ninety-four while men who are useful to the world are taken away before their tasks are finished.

Hope for the restoration of the two-thirds rule in the nomination of a Democratic candidate for president, which was abrogated at the Philadelphia Convention in 1936, and which would return control of the party to the Conservative element in the South, was one of the by-products of the November election.

In Memory of the Life and Work of Vance Muse

One of the Nation's most colorful personalities, useful citizens and outstanding patriots comes to the end of the trail.

By Ida M. Darden



VANCE MUSE

Loyal friend . . . kind and devoted
family man . . . great American.

"We have come here to pay final tribute to a great man.

"The death of Vance Muse is more than a personal loss to his family and friends.

"It is a loss to the entire country and to those forces

throughout the Nation who are striving to maintain the integrity and stability of this Republic.

"His passing will be mourned by all those who have watched his gallant fight throughout the years in behalf of the sound principles of government in which he believed."

With these solemn and fitting words from one who loved him, a minister of one of the large Protestant churches of Fort Worth consigned the earthly remains of Vance Muse to their last resting place in Mount Olivet Cemetery where other members of his family are buried.

Not only because his wonderful achievements, his attributes of character and his patriotic devotion to the best interests of his country cannot be described in ordinary, stereotyped phrases, but because he was my brother, I shall discard all journalistic formality in this tribute to his memory and make a personal recital of the qualities of mind and heart which made him outstanding among men, as it was given me to know them.

If the act of dying could ever be called beautiful, his passing would belong in that category for the Angel of Death touched him gently in delivering the final summons.

Sitting in his favorite chair in the living room of the home he loved with the wife he had adored for thirty-eight years, he simply put down the newspaper he was reading, closed his eyes and drifted away into a last peaceful, dreamless sleep, without warning and without pain.

And in the ranks of patriotic Americans whose allegiance to our American form of Government and to the fundamental principles of the Republic is unqualified and unquestioned, his passing left a gap which cannot be filled.

In 1936 when an alien form of government was at the height of its power in Washington and Communism was fast becoming entrenched in Amer-

ican institutions, including departments of government, Vance set up an organization called Christian American, Inc., with headquarters in Houston, to combat it.

Going at once to the heart of the matter, he found that the heaviest infiltration was within the ranks of Union Labor and that many dangerous Communists were working within the unions, and especially the CIO, from which vantage point they planned to extend their operations until their power over the Nation's economy was complete.

It was not long afterwards that he planned and executed a campaign for securing the passage of laws in the various States which would prohibit an employer denying employment to a worker because the applicant was not a member of a union. In other words, such legislation reaffirmed the right of an American to work and support his family, whether he did, or did not, belong to a Labor Union.

This legislation was known as the Right-To-Work measure and was passed in sixteen States as a result of his carefully planned and executed program.

Ultimately his ambition was to incorporate this principle into the Constitution of the United States and at his death he was working on this phase of the program.

The movement which he represented was so well thought out and integrated, that it is hoped and believed that this work can be continued and a Right-To-Work amendment ultimately incorporated in the Federal Constitution.

As a prelude to this he recently

suggested that all citizens write their representatives in both Houses of Congress to use their votes and influence to incorporate the following principle into all national legislation dealing with labor relations:

"No person shall be denied employment because of membership or non-membership in a Labor Union."

He pointed out that all workers, and not just a selected few, would be the beneficiaries of this Right-To-Work provision if it were included in all appropriation bills enacted by Congress and the Treasury of the United States specifically prohibited from paying out funds for goods delivered or services rendered by firms, corporations or individuals practicing discrimination against workers because of their membership or non-membership in a Labor Union.

He presented figures showing that at the peak of their strength, Labor Unions had only fifteen million members while there are almost fifty million non-union workers in the United States and asserted that Right-To-Work legislation in the various States or a Right-To-Work amendment to the Federal Constitution would, therefore, constitute the greatest good to the greatest number.

"Today there is a widespread demand, that is steadily growing, for an Amendment to the Constitution of the United States to safeguard the freedom of the individual to work" he stated a short time before his death. "The right to work involves the right to live."

His organization also labored diligently for the repeal of the Sixteenth,

or Income Tax, amendment to the Federal Constitution and the substitution of one which limits the power of Congress to levy a tax of more than twenty-five per cent on the income of the citizen.

The passage of such an amendment, he believed, would definitely halt the trend toward Communism within the government where taxpayers' money which has been obtained by confiscatory taxation in unlimited amounts is used to put Socialistic policies of government into effect.

Even though CIO officials charged him with being a lobbyist and in one of their publications referred to him as "the most powerful lobbyist in the United States", he was not a lobbyist in the smaller and generally accepted meaning of that term.

He never buttonholed a lawmaker and asked him to vote for, or against, any measure, and had very little contact with members of lawmaking bodies as such.

Believing firmly in going to the heart of a subject and taking the matter up only with those in highest authority, he carried his campaign for sound labor and tax laws to the people and operated his organization as an instrument for building sentiment among the people at the grass roots and the forks-of-the-creek rather than depending on lawmakers for action.

He seldom showed up in the National or State Capitals but his influence and the effects of his splendid work in behalf of sound principles of government was felt in many legislative halls and reflected in their deliberations.

Insofar as any one individual can

influence the course of history, he was largely responsible for generating the sentiment in the various States which ultimately resulted in the passage of the Taft-Hartley law.

He was one of the first to challenge the Hitlerian theory fostered by Roosevelt and abjectly concurred in by Truman that Labor bosses are of a Master Race more powerful than government and exempt from all penalties of law.

The reverberation caused by the crash of Labor's political empire as it fell about their ears in the recent election was a fitting requiem to the departing soul of this great American who did more than his full share in exposing their infamy to public view.

Living and working at the time he did, it was inevitable that he would make enemies in high and powerful places for it is a tragic but indisputable fact that no man, or set of men, could advocate sound principles of government or subscribe to the American way of life during the past eighteen years and avoid paying a heavy penalty for their devotion to American ideals.

By all the dark and devious methods known to smear artists associated with the New Deal and Fair Deal proponents of government, he was bitterly attacked and especially by the CIO, the Black Hand Society of the Labor movement, which not only assailed him in its own publications but induced other Communist-dominated periodicals to join in the fight against him.

One of the most vicious and unscrupulous of these assaults was an article several years ago by a writer in *Colliers* which was almost completely engulfed by the radical sentiment which was sweeping the country at the time.

Vance's successful work in getting Right-To-Work measures through various legislatures was attracting such attention that this publication was induced by labor bosses to join in efforts to "discredit" him and minimize his influence in securing passage of sound labor laws.

Colliers selected for the job Walter Davenport and the methods of research which he employed and the article he turned out composed equally of outright falsehoods and distorted half-truths carried yellow journalism to an all-time low in editorial depravity.

During the three days he spent in Texas gathering the "data" for his story, Davenport never once called at the office of the subject of his assignment, nor did he try to interview a single one of the hundreds of responsible business men and leaders of industry in the South associated with Vance in supporting his work and who could have given an intelligent and truthful outline of the program.

Instead he spent the entire time shut up in Austin and Houston hotels with Labor Union racketeers as his companions and all his "information" was obtained from this source.

While deeply humiliating, of course, his article boomeranged and hundreds of business leaders throughout the country who were familiar with the political ideologies of *Colliers* at that time, voluntarily wrote offering their assistance and cooperation and Vance's membership was greatly increased and strengthened as a result of this libelous and cowardly attack.

As he always did when smeared by CIO or other subversive forces, he had this article reproduced and broadcast it to his associates throughout the nation as evidence of the effectiveness of the work of his organization, in smoking out Radicals and Fellow Travelers.

While our work was entirely separate and apart and he never saw my copy until it appeared in the press and I never read his material until it

was released through regular channels, we thought alike to such an extent that often when we were discussing the same subject, even though we might be hundreds of miles apart, we usually arrived at the same conclusion and sometimes in almost identical words.

"Mental Siamese Twins" a friend once jokingly called us but this was rank flattery to me for while I may have a flair for lurid and descriptive phrases, I never was capable of the deep and fundamental thinking and analysis which he devoted to any subject in which he was interested.

My knowledge of government is superficial. His was profound.

Although both of us were largely self-educated, mine is mostly "by ear" while his was acquired by years of careful study and intelligent research.

To give an accurate picture of his character and his sense of responsibility to his family and his country, I believe that a personal letter that I wrote him in 1943 will serve this purpose better than any other estimate or summation which could be drawn.

The occasion was an attack made on him from the floor of the House of the Texas legislature by a member who represented, not his district or the best interests of his whole constituency, but the CIO which had financed his campaign.

This member made a derogatory remark about Vance and his work over the country in connection with the passage of Right-To-Work legislation and was applauded by several other Radicals on the floor of the House.

Although living in Austin at the time, the incident escaped me and I knew nothing of it until I received a letter from Vance giving me the details.

My letter to him in reply, dated February 14, 1943, said:

I have not had an opportunity to listen in on any of the sessions of the Forty-Eighth Legislature of Texas as my present assignment keeps me pretty well on the job most of the time.

I am sure this accounts for my not having known of the attack which you say was made on you on the floor of the House recently by a certain legislator, followed by applause from other members.

No one is quicker than I, as you, to resent an insult, real or imaginary, to members of my family but I see nothing of any consequence in the incident referred to.

I consider myself a pretty fair judge of "lawmakers in action" and I am convinced that the present body is composed largely of earnest, patriotic men and women trying to set a high standard of achievement and get the job done in a creditable manner.

I am sure that the majority of them are as much opposed to the despicable practices of labor union leaders as you and I and that, in due time, they will register their opposition in the proper manner.

You are well known to have been very successful in your efforts in various States to get legislation passed which is designed to put an end to skullduggery in labor union circles and this fact is a matter of popular knowledge and is resented in certain quarters.

It follows naturally that any member of the legislature who feels that a worker who does not want to work has a perfect right to slug another man who does over the head with a blackjack, would not hesitate to make a verbal attack on one who is suc-

cessfully sponsoring legislation to stop such criminal acts.

As for the applause, I have a special theory all my own which I have worked out throughout the years concerning this meaningless gesture.

I believe that any extended research into the subject would develop that applause is merely a reflex action and that this sort of demonstration is frequently indulged in unconsciously and without volition on the part of the participant.

As an illustration, I was sitting in an audience on one occasion, bored to death and half asleep when thunderous clapping broke out all around me.

Suddenly startled out of a comatose state, I immediately reverted to the herd impulse and joined in the lusty clapping only to learn later that the ovation was occasioned by the speaker making a complimentary reference to Eleanor Roosevelt.

Since that time, I have been slow to condemn any person who may be innocently trapped into giving public demonstration of approval to a statement which they have not even heard.

I imagine that this situation may have prevailed to some degree on the occasion you mention and that some members, being rudely awakened, gave the speaker a big hand to show that they were alert and on the job. Also, when they found out that the speaker was applying all those names to an outsider, and not to one of them, they may have applauded from sheer relief.

Or, it could be, that some of them had been busily engaged in their usual occupation of flirting with one of the many good-looking stenographers and, not having their mind on their business, they just cheered automatically.

Any way since the time when I who claim to be a good American with no subversive affiliations of any nature, was tricked through my own inertia and inattention into heartily applauding the name of the Nation's number one Radical, I have been hesitant in laying too much stress on the significance of the clapping hand.

When men of lesser mold who hail from the wrong side of the intellectual and ideological tracks attack you, I should think it would be consolation enough to remember that "envy always snarls at the heels of distinction" and that a little Fice dog always gets a tremendous kick out of snapping at the flanks of a Great Dane.

Persons of inferior understanding and attainments seem to take a sadistic pleasure in assailing those whom the gods have more favorably endowed with physical, moral and mental qualities.

This is a quirk in humanity's make-up which I can only point out and cannot explain.

Remember that those who have been close to you throughout the years of your useful life, know and understand your qualities of greatness better than the political gadflies who spring up overnight and disappear the same way, leaving no sign to mark the spot where they stood and made their vain and unsuccessful bid for public acclaim.

You will recall that on the West Texas farm where we lived as children, it was always around the hooves of the choicest and

most thoroughbred cattle that the heel flies clustered thickest.

By any test that can be used in measuring the stature of a man, you stand head and shoulders above your traducers, both in public conduct and private behavior.

A shining example of your superior conception of life's responsibilities is your home life which has always stood out as a glorious reminder that marriage can be a beautiful and successful institution.

You have helped to provide an atmosphere in your home which made it so attractive to your two sons, that, until the day they volunteered in the Navy following the attack on Pearl Harbor, they practically had to be blasted out of the house to seek the normal diversions of the average young man.

Reversing all precedent in such matters, they invariably brought their "dates" to their own home to bask in the congenial atmosphere which that home provided.

And on his last day at home before leaving for the South Pacific, Vance Jr., shut himself in his room and made a recording for you and his mother to be played after he was gone, in which he tried to express what home had meant to him and his brother and to point out what a small sacrifice it was, in return, for them to go out and fight to preserve the way of life they had always known, assuring you that the happiest day the future could possibly hold for them would be the one "when the lights go on again all over the world" and they could return to the home and the parents they adored.

Also, being your sister, I can go even farther back than your married life for illustrations to prove your right to rank as a man among men.

When the tall, handsome West Point Cadet from Tennessee who was our father—and who had to leave school before graduation because of ill health and settle on a West Texas farm—died and left us the heritage of an honorable name but no money, you proved even then that you had the proper conception of life's responsibilities and demands.

While you were still of an age when a boy is entitled to be concerned with nothing more serious than playing marbles, flying kites and spinning tops, you left school and took a job at hard labor in order to support our mother and me.

I can see you still with your tow head as white as the cotton on the farm we had left in West Texas, coming home on pay day proudly waving your first check while still half a block away.

We were underprivileged perhaps, but, thank God, we didn't know it, and there were no child labor laws or social legislation to prevent you from gallantly stepping across that invisible line between childhood and man's estate to assume responsibilities which coddled weaklings today would casually pass on to the Federal government.

You worked ten and twelve hours a day without complaint, asking nothing for yourself and you went to school at night in order to fulfill our father's last spoken wish that we would somehow manage to acquire the same sort of splendid education which he and our mother had enjoyed.

With this sort of a background and a life devoted to unselfish service, it is only natural that

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Houston Negroes Pay Respects To a Friend of Their Race

The incidents related below will be thoroughly understood by all responsible Southerners whose association with and affection for Negroes has always been taken for granted but they will be utterly incomprehensible to those cheap and contemptible politicians, both male and female, of the North and East who have exploited the colored race of the South for their own selfish ends and who have succeeded in helping to destroy the strong bonds of friendship which existed between the two races:

In the agonizing hours following the sudden death of Vance Muse, two women in his home clung together in a heart-breaking embrace and it would have been impossible for an outsider to decide whose grief went deepest.

One was his wife, Marie, and the other was Viola Calvin, a saintly colored woman servant in his home for over twenty-one years.

Following services at the Chapel in Houston, some colored people who had been sitting in the rear, asked and received, permission to sing a Negro Spiritual over his coffin.

One of them had been educated at a Negro College at Waco at Vance's expense, though members of his family had not known of it until after his death.

On the Sunday following his burial public prayers were offered for him in a Negro Methodist church in Houston.

C. W. Rice editor of the Negro Labor News of Houston said this in his front page double column entitled AS I SEE IT:

"AS I see it, Vance Muse who died in Houston last Sunday was the greatest champion of the rights of the working classes that this State has ever produced. Mr. Muse was a native Texan and the founder and president of Christian American, Inc. Among the many American ideals that this institution stood and fought for was the God-given right of every person to work regardless of membership, or non-membership in a labor union.

"LONG BEFORE THERE WAS A WAGNER LABOR ACT OR A TAFT-HARTLEY LAW, THERE WAS THE POWERFUL PEN AND VOICE OF VANCE MUSE ADVOCATING THAT 'THE RIGHT TO WORK SHOULD NOT BE DENIED TO ANY PERSON BECAUSE OF RACE, CREED OR MEMBERSHIP OR NON-MEMBERSHIP IN LABOR UNIONS.'

"In my personal interviews with him, he would always point out that racketeers and communists were taking over the honest labor union movement and that the only panacea for the protection for working classes in America was that a national law should be passed that the right to work shall not be denied to any person because of membership in labor unions.

"With this sincere belief, Mr. Muse was responsible for the 'Right to Work' law to be passed in sixteen states. He told me on his recent return from a trip North, East and Midwest that there was a good prospect for several other states to enact the 'Right to Work' law in the next legislature.

"AS I SEE IT, the best evidence of Mr. Muse's un-biased attitude toward Negro people in his 'Right to Work' movement, may be found in his comments about the murder of Richard H. Guess, an outstanding citizen and leader of an independent union, during a labor strike at the Hughes Tool Company in 1946. The following article was reprinted several times in the Christian American, the last publication was in April:

"A little while ago I stood at the bier of Richard H. Guess in the Fourth Missionary Negro Baptist Church in Houston, Texas, and gazed out upon a black sea of sad and solemn faces—sad by reason of the untimely passing of their beloved Church official and co-worker—solemn because the champion of their GOD-GIVEN RIGHT TO

WORK had been struck down in the prime of his useful Christian life for his defense of their rights to earn, to save, to own and produce free from the dictates of racketeers and ruffians.

"Richard H. Guess died at the hands of a midnight assassin, shot in the back, as he walked home from his all day Sunday worship. The Communist Party and other radical groups and individuals got rid of a powerful foe when Richard H. Guess was murdered in the dark, but the bright lights of Heaven were turned on for the Houston Metal Worker to pass through the Pearly Gates as did the Carpenter of Galilee Who too was crucified for His beliefs.

"Richard H. Guess was slain because he strictly adhered to the edict of the Holy Scripture that 'in the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread' but he did not tolerate the paying of monetary tribute to gangsters and racketeers for the right to work and eat.

"Although Richard H. Guess was President of the Independent Metal Workers Union No. 2 of Houston, Texas, membership in his union was not a prerequisite to employment and no worker was ever coerced to join. The initiation fee was a dollar's worth of service for every dollar received in wages. The clear reasoning, sound logic and strong influence of Richard H. Guess had inspired many of his union members to disregard the Communist-manipulated steel strike at the Hughes Tool Company and they went through the picket line into the production line so their families could eat and live.

"Probably because I was the only white person among some 3,000 Negroes at the funeral I was called on to make a few remarks. I identified myself and the cause I represent as follows:

"I have lived among you in Houston for 16 years. I am a native Texan. My name is Vance Muse. I am Secretary-Treasurer of the Christian American movement. I did not come here out of idle curiosity to see a Negro funeral although I was not personally acquainted with Richard H. Guess whose last remains lie here because of the act of an assassin in the dark. I was well acquainted with, and loved and cherished the principles for which he lived and died. I stand ready to follow him even in death in defending the cause he championed. Like Richard H. Guess, I too believe in the God-given right of every man and woman to work and earn a decent living regardless of color, creed or union or non-union membership. I deem it an honor to have some little part in paying final tribute to this good and fearless man and the things he stood for."

"When one mighty 'AMEN' came from thousands of Negro throats in unison, I realized that the unfinished mission of Richard H. Guess would be carried on, not as a one-man campaign but as a crusade of the multitude and that the fight for the RIGHT TO WORK would not die with his passing.

"The heinousness of the crime, coupled with rewards of more than four thousand dollars for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons guilty of the fatal shooting of Richard H. Guess, will surely bring about the early apprehension, trial, and conviction of the murderer.

"But when the slayer, be he white or black, walks the last mile to the hot seat in the electric chair in Huntsville, the killing of Richard H. Guess will not have been fully avenged. That can only be brought about by strict adherence to the principles for which Richard H. Guess gave his life, viz: "That the Right to Work shall not be denied to any person because of membership or non-membership in a labor union."

UNIONS DIDN'T WANT ANY COMPETITION

In South Carolina twenty-two labor unions appealed to the Federal government to halt Ku Klux Klan violence in South Carolina's tobacco country.

The Unions have been permitted to commit acts of violence and get away with it for so long that they feel they are privileged characters and don't want any other group muscling in on a racket which they consider as exclusively their own.

REFLECTIONS ON THE ELECTION

On election night in 1948, President Truman went to bed early refusing to wait up for the returns which he felt sure would keep him and his Fair Deal party in power. He called the shot that time but when he undertook to repeat the same performance this year and show his indifference and confidence by retiring early, it was a different story. A lot of water had gone over the dam in the meantime and Americans had waked up in droves and become alerted to the danger to the Republic.

Talk among the politically wise in New York is to the effect that there was an understanding between Lehman and Dewey forces when the New York party slates were selected, in which it was agreed that both candidates would draw weak opposition in order to insure their election. Leading Republicans who had rather have defeated Lehman than to have won the governorship, feel that Dewey let them down by not running for the Senate against Lehman whom he once easily defeated for the New York governorship. Commenting on the possibility that such a deal existed, the Washington Times-Herald said editorially "... If Dewey and Lehman were intent on avoiding a contest, the reason is not hard to find. They are eggs out of the same basket. As internationalists, interventionists and world correctionists, they are rooters for the 'bi-partisan' or New Deal foreign policy."

In the manner of a small boy who has been slapped for misbehaving and determines to "get even" by doing something worse, Harry Truman reacted to the November elections by appointing a foreign-born woman with a very questionable political background and affiliations as Assistant Secretary of Defense. Congressman Ed Gossett of Texas who has never been noted for political cowardice, observed publicly that there were one hundred thousand men in the nation who could have done the job better and deplored the unfortunate action of the president

in naming a radical New York social service worker to this important post.

Political observers saw in the election results a strong likelihood that James A. Farley would join forces with Franklin D. Roosevelt, Jr., in an attempt to re-capture leadership of the Fair Deal party. If Mr. Farley cannot see in the election returns a definite and unmistakable repudiation of the Roosevelt name, he is not the astute politician he once was.

The coalition between Conservative Southern Democrats and Northern Republicans was definitely strengthened on November 7 and for two years, at least, the country is safe so far as Truman's dream of writing his Socialistic proposals into law is concerned. It is the next national election in which patriotic Americans must be concerned and to prepare to pile up an even greater vote against radicalism than they turned in last month.

There have been almost as many alibis for the heavy trouncing given Fair Dealers on election day as there are Fair Dealers. Senator Clinton Anderson of New Mexico blames it on the Brannan plan which he didn't like himself; others admit that the coddling of Communists is responsible; still others lay the blame on Truman's Civil Rights program, Socialized Medicine and his general Socialistic program. The truth is that all of them are right. The voters didn't like any of it. Period.

The idea that women are good sports in politics and have the capacity for losing gracefully had quite a set-back in the case of Helen Gahagan Douglas, the California Radical whom the Honorable Richard Nixon defeated by more than a half million votes for the Senate of the United States. Although she was far behind from the start and never led at any point in the balloting, it took her seventeen hours to "concede" that she was beaten. Even then her statement was a surly acknowledgment of defeat with none of the graciousness, either assumed or real, which usually marks a man's concession to his victorious rival.

Vance Muse

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your wholesome contempt should be directed against the racketeers in Union Labor who are trying to incorporate the principle of minimum work and maximum pay into our American economy and who are more concerned in exploiting their fellow workers and establishing themselves in power than they are in winning the war.

It will take more than their puny attacks to offset what you are and the work you are doing and, someday, when the Right-To-Work amendment is written into the Constitution of the United States, as it will inevitably be, it will be a fitting memorial to you as the one who has done more than any other individual American to bring it about.

The great work of Vance Muse on earth is ended but his name will live on in the hearts and minds of Americans so long as there are those who place loyalty to their country and its institutions first and whose devotion to American ideals cannot be subverted by exponents of alien doctrines and tenets of faith.

Honorary Pallbearers.
Honorary Pallbearers were W. S. Alford,

Haygood Ashburn, E. M. Biggers, W. N. Blanton, K. C. Fortenberry, Lamar Fleming, Bernard Golding, Vic Johnson, Ralph G. Nichols, Tracy Park, Tracy Park, Jr., A. Dee Simpson, Harmon Whittington, E. C. Lafield, Parker Alford, C. E. Buehner, George Delhomme, Jo Lodde, Dr. Charles D. Reece, Judge Rosser Thomas, and H. F. Lippold all of Houston; Walter Hughes, Oklahoma City; L. V. Ulrey, Galveston, Major William A. Wood, USMC, Garfield Crawford, Arlington, Judge George W. Armstrong, Natchez, Miss.; W. Lee O'Daniel, Aledo, Captain Frank Hamer, Austin, Sam Hanna, Dallas, Robert G. Binyon, Wallace, Idaho; Judge Campbell E. Beaumont, Los Angeles, Homer Tomlinson, Fort Worth; Roy Heidelberg, Jackson, Miss.; Colonel Abbott Boone, Claremont, California; Byron Wilson, Denver and C. C. Bennett, Revere, Massachusetts.

Survivors.

Other survivors include his wife, Marie Buckingham Muse, two sons Milton and Vance Jr., four grandchildren, Virginia, Jay, Melinda and Vance Muse III, one niece Mrs. Rosser Thomas, Jr., of Houston and two nephews, Jack Muse, Fort Worth, and Alan Muse, Corpus Christi.

Young Couple Start Memorial at Rice

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Floeter, Jr., young Houston married couple have made a donation to the Fondren Library for the purchase of books in Memory of Vance Muse who passed away in October, officials of the Rice Library have announced.

What Our Readers Have Been Waiting For !!! "MY NIGHT" TO BE PUBLISHED IN BOOK FORM

In answer to innumerable requests which have come to us from time to time, asking us to publish the column "My Night" in book form, we have, during the past three months, prepared enough of these columns in advance to enable us to comply with this request, and the manuscript for the book is now ready for the publishers.

Each of the columns will be illustrated with a full page caricature of the particular subject discussed in that column and the cover, in which the artist is letting his imagination run wild, will be in three colors.

We will be able to go to press with the book as soon as we have sold one thousand advance copies and we hope to be able to bring the book out within the next thirty days.

The cost will be one dollar each for the books but it is only through bulk sales to individuals and concerns that we can hope for the distribution we wish to achieve.

The book has a definite message and while this message is presented in the form of ridicule, this is only because the objective hoped for cannot be attained through logic or appeals to reason.

Many Americans have been passive and willing dupes of columnar propagandists too long to be reached by any of the usual methods for restoring dormant thought processes to action.

Perhaps a laugh may accomplish this end and remind them that in all forms of human transgressions, including

subversive political activities, "the female of the species is more deadly than the male."

All orders must be accompanied by checks or money orders made payable to the Southern Conservative and addressed to that publication, 703 Flatiron Building, Fort Worth, Texas.

(As we go to press and before notice of publication of the book was released, we have received orders from Fort Worth readers for three hundred copies of the book, making it necessary that we sell only seven hundred more before we can begin publication).

The following form is for the convenience of those sending in orders:

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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 Bloc 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 any part 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

Last night I attended a meeting of Aliens for Socialistic Action and I was very happy to learn from reports of speakers on the program that this wonderful group which I had the privilege of helping to organize, is not only adding large numbers to its membership but that its influence is being increasingly reflected in a certain segment of the press, radio, television, motion pictures and other publicity mediums in this country.



The guest speaker at the meeting was Sir Basil Haire-Brayne an official of the British government who is in this country to urge a larger appropriation for England under the Marshall Aid Plan.

The purpose for which the additional money is needed is to put into effect a comprehensive program to be known as the Super European Recovery Plan which Sir Basil and his associates in Parliament are promoting and which is expected to result in bringing about universal peace by strengthening Democracy in Europe and throughout the world.

Later while having tea with the great English statesman, he explained the proposal to me in detail and after a careful, three-minute analysis of the plan, I came to the conclusion that it contained many thought-provoking ideas and that the request for an additional appropriation should receive the earnest consideration of Congress.

Briefly, the method by which it is proposed to put the plan into effect and carry out its provisions, and for which the extra funds are needed, is to increase the amount of pension payments to unemployed Scotch bagpipe players and to enlarge the library facilities in homes for retired French chorus girls.

It is hoped to follow later with a long-range program which will extend the benefits of the plan to needy English fox hunters, underprivileged Swiss yodelers and displaced Irish clog dancers.

While I am in thorough sympathy with the proposal as a step in the right direction, it is my own thought that it is perhaps a little restricted in its scope and that it should be broadened to include such groups as Hungarian tight-rope walkers, East Indian fire-eaters, and Australian boomerang throwers, but perhaps this can be worked out as the program gets under way and is accepted by the people as a necessary and legitimate function of a government in a Social Democracy.

I was extended a cordial invitation by Sir Basil to visit England as soon as my schedule will permit and deliver a series of lectures on cultural subjects to the British General Federation of Scrubwomen's Clubs and in the event I am able to make the trip, I hope to have the pleasure, during the intervals between my talks to the char-ladies, of visiting with the Queen at the Royal Palace and with my good friend, Lady Writing, at her country estate.

It so happens that I had already tentatively accepted an invitation to visit that country in the near future where I am to unveil a monument to Miss Prunella Prye, a social service worker who fell in line of duty, having been shot by an irate relief client who resented her efforts to get detailed information for a government bureau concerning his sex reactions and other intimate data in connection with his private love life in order to determine whether or not he was entitled to a larger subsistence check.

Americans Must Prepare For A Fight To The Finish

The proper time to begin a full-scale assault on organized corruption in Washington, as represented by the Fair Deal Administration, is today.

A good beginning was made on November 7 when the keen scythe of public opinion mowed down top administration leaders of the Democratic Party who have functioned in Congress as the Advance Agents for National Socialism in the United States.

The Southern Conservative holds firmly to the conviction that you can't puncture the hide of a rhinoceros with a pea shooter and that the only way to rout an enemy is to beat him in a knock-down-and-drag-out fight.

We do not any more believe in employing refined and cultured terms in attempting to expose the evils of the Fair Deal than we do in resorting to the rules of Emily Post when trying to kill a rattlesnake.

In conformity with this view, we have exerted such small resources as we have at our disposal in a free-for-all, name-calling brawl in which no holds were barred, our only purpose being to inform Americans whose attention we could command that the Truman administration is a subversive force which must be uprooted if the Republic is to survive.

In preparing for the fight ahead in behalf of a return to Constitutional government in 1952, Americans should brief themselves on the history of our national leaders and their performances in the past eighteen years.

The disintegration of the Republic was begun, of course, by the actions of Franklin D. Roosevelt, ardent admirer of Soviet policies and arch enemy of the American form of government as set up by its founders.

His full efforts as president were exerted in trying to change it from a Constitutional Republic to a Socialist-Labor Government and to this end he opened the door to Russia, as a first step, and then undertook to operate the machinery of government in the sole and exclusive interest of labor unions and other radical minority groups.

He used the taxpayers money to set up a powerful political machine manned by Federal office holders strategically located in every State in the Union which was designed to keep him in office until his program of re-vamping the American government was completed.

Through this nation-wide Tammany Hall, he put into effect all sorts of fantastic policies of government that reached the peak of absurdity during the war which provided a field day for him in launching his freak ideological experiments.

Truman inherited this political machine and being a more vicious Radical and having even less regard for the American way of life than Roosevelt, he added his practical knowledge as a ward-heel politician of the Pendergast school, to build it up to its present strength.

And while Roosevelt was a fast man with a dollar, Truman has made a record for squandering which makes a piker out of his predecessor and has added so many parasites to the public payroll that no one can accurately estimate the number of human vampires now sucking the lifeblood from the veins of the taxpayers.

With this sort of a diabolical set-up, it was inevitable that Truman be elected in 1948 and he will be re-elected in 1952 unless red-blooded and patriotic Americans unite to dethrone this pint-sized tyrant in the White House.

It is safe to say that no American who votes for Truman and the Fair Deal will do so out of patriotism and

The Flag of Our Country Is Dishonored

The insult to the American flag as reported by the press in which the colors of fifty-six other nations were flown above Old Glory in a recent display at the State Department in Washington cannot be attributed to Alger Hiss since he is no longer connected with that reputed hotbed of Fellow Travelers, homosexuals and political perverts of all types.

There must be some foundation for Senator McCarthy's charge that this branch of the Federal government still harbors a nest of Communists as this treasonable action against the dignity and prestige of our National Emblem was clearly inspired by enemies of this country.

To what depths of depravity have we sunk that a band of patriotic Americans did not rush in, seize the flag and restore it to its rightful place?

Labor Commissars Are Now Resorting To Violence

Having received the worst drubbing of their existence from the American voters, Labor Commissars are now resorting to Soviet tactics to get by force and violence what they failed to achieve in an orderly manner.

The telephone strike which went into effect immediately following the election was planned deliberately in advance to be used in the event the balloting went against them.

If they had succeeded in replacing good Americans with the stooges in whose behalf they spent millions of dollars, it is more than likely that the strike would have been called off.

As it is, they called the strike with the assurance that Truman would have the government take over the Telephone Company in which eventually they would, of course, have gotten what they asked for.

As every American knows, Truman jumps when Labor Commissars say "Frog" and his every official action since becoming president has been designed to give labor an advantage over every other segment of the American economy.

Of course his partiality to this particular class of society was based on his firm conviction that they had more voting power than any other group and that they would stand together and vote as a unit.

This theory has been knocked into a cocked hat for it is clear from election results, and especially in Ohio, that members of labor unions vote as Americans in an emergency and not as their overlords and dictators tell them to vote.

But watch out for a period of violence on the part of labor Commissars during the coming months. Being thoroughly repudiated by the voters and having nothing to lose, they will now resume pick-axe and blackjack methods of accomplishing their ends.

Regardless of the fact that labor claims to have ousted Communists from their ranks, their methods of operation and the principles in which they believe are still identical with Soviet policies.

devotion to the best interests of the country.

Every ballot which has ever been cast for him and the type of government he represents, has been inspired by the desire of the voter for some special favor, either to himself, his relatives or his friends.

But self-interest is a powerful and impelling motive and it is going to require the combined efforts of all Americans, regardless of former party affiliation, who are not on the government payroll, who are not subsidized with taxpayers' money, or who do not participate in some manner in one of the various forms of Federal graft, to end the most firmly entrenched and corrupt regime ever to operate as a government of a free people.

Any Way He Didn't Change The Date Of Christmas

As evidence that the evil men do lives after them, we point to the fact that Thanksgiving that traditional American holiday set up by the Pilgrim Fathers and recognized universally as occurring on the last Thursday in November has been advanced one week thanks to Franklin D. Roosevelt who juggled it around after being high-pressed by mercantile interests who wanted to commercialize this sacred holiday.

When we consider, however, the mysterious power he exercised over otherwise intelligent Americans and made them stupid dopes in his schemes for world power and control, we suppose we should be thankful that he did not change the date of Christmas from December 25th to January 30th.

"Little Pendergast" Machine Functions In South Texas

Texans were given another example of the effectiveness of the "Little Pendergast" political Machine in South Texas in the recent election.

It is the quaint custom of Boss George Parr of Duval County who inherited the machine ready-made from his father, the late Archie Parr, to withhold the election returns in one or more counties under his control until he finds out how many votes are needed in a close race and then come across with the necessary number.

The recent race involved a district judgeship. The candidate for the office, Sam G. Reams had no opponent in the general election, but somewhere along the line between the primary and November election, he incurred the ill-will of Boss Parr who arranged for a write-in vote for A. J. Vale of Rio Grande City. In the three other counties comprising the judicial district, Reams was elected by some four thousand votes which is a large majority in those sparsely populated counties.

The votes in Duval County, as usual, were withheld for five days and when the belated results were disclosed, it was revealed that there were 4739 write-in votes for Vale to 43 for Reams. This gave the office to Vale by a vote of 5661 to 5421.

The performance was reminiscent of the primary election in August of 1948 when Lyndon Johnson was chosen for the United States Senate from Texas by the same tactics, although his majority was only 87 votes.

At that time, a contest of the election was prevented by the Parr forces by the simple expedient of burning the ballots before they could be examined or recounted.

In the present instance, Mr. Vale has refused to accept the office, asserting that he prefers to remain as a member of the Legislature to which he was legally elected.

This perhaps clears up the legal end of the matter but does not remove the vile odor from a situation in that area of the State which has long been a disgrace to Texas.

Frazier Reams, elected as an Independent Congressman from Ohio in the recent election, strenuously objected when he was included in a report as a member of the Democratic majority in the 82nd Congress, and insisted that he is never going back into that Party, although he managed Roosevelt's campaign for President in 1936. "I was elected as an Independent and I intend to serve as one" Reams stated emphatically.

As a political forecaster, the president has been reduced to the status of George Gallup. In other words, they have switched places. In 1948, Gallup predicted an overwhelming Republican victory. In 1950, Truman predicted a Democratic landslide.

Certainly Crime Is Tied In With Politics. So What?

While conceding in advance that we may be wrong, we think that the activity of the KeFauver Committee which is investigating gambling and other underworld vice, with its attendant hordes of helpers, special investigators and hangers-on, is just another useless and unnecessary waste of taxpayers' money.

About all the Committee seems to be doing is making headlines and giving out press releases revealing conditions that any intelligent and alert American already knew existed.

It isn't news to anybody much that vice in Kansas City, Chicago and other large cities throughout the nation is closely tied in with politics and politicians and that there is a big pay-off to public officials all down, or up, the line.

If there were any hope or expectation that anything would be done about the sordid mess after the investigation is over, there would be justification for the procedure.

But no one seriously believes that when all the shouting is over, the noise has died down and the topflight gangsters have come out of hiding, that Congress will pass any legislation to put an end to this evil.

They are too busy working shell games themselves which the Sixteenth Amendment to the Constitution allows them to play with American taxpayers as the victims and who are they to condemn vice in others in view of the wholesale corruption which has prevailed for nearly eighteen years under the last two national administrations?

The American people are reputed to be the most politically gullible of any on earth and during the Roosevelt and Truman administrations they have swallowed propaganda especially prepared for their consumption hook, line and sinker.

It seems to us, however, that it is asking too much to expect them to accept the proposition that a cheap politician who has been catapulted to the highest office in the land through the sponsorship of a notorious underworld political machine would deliberately destroy the effectiveness of such machines by putting the characters in prison who compose them.

Personally, we are going to get excited and worked up over the matter only when, and if, the KeFauver Committee proves its sincerity in wishing to develop a tie-in between big crime and big politics by making a thorough and public probe of the mysterious release of five dangerous Chicago gangsters from prison in 1947 by Truman's own attorney general, and when they produce accurate information for taxpayers' benefit about the sudden disappearance of the ballots in the Kansas City vote fraud case or reveal the causes which led to the assassination of two politician-gangsters earlier this year in Mr. Truman's own bailiwick.

Consistency is a virtue that politicians do not possess and this has been forcefully proved by the fact that, in view of the skeletons in the administration's own closet, the KeFauver Committee has been allowed to go as far as it has in its farcical attempts to prove that there is a strong connecting link between crime and politics.

Any way, why should the president have any quarrel with gamblers? Gambling exists because of the widespread belief that suckers can get something for nothing.

This is the theory on which the Fair Deal operates and constitutes the basis of Mr. Truman's political philosophy.