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FEDERAL GOVERNMENT REVERTS TO JUNGLE LAW IN ITS EFFORTS TO SEIZE PROPERTY BY FORCE

1950 Model Carpetbagger Is Operating In Florida

Down in Florida it is reported that events of Reconstruction Days are being re-enacted with Northern and Eastern representatives of the CIO playing the role of 1950 model Carpetbaggers.

In a frantic effort to re-elect Senator Claude Pepper, New Deal water boy and one of the Labor union stooges in the Upper House of Congress, who is being opposed by George C. Smathers, Negro voters are being rounded up in all sections of the State and hauled in to register for a reported fee of two dollars per head.

Funds to pay for this wholesale vote purchase scheme are alleged to have been supplied by the CIO war chest raised in the East and collected through one dollar compulsory assessments against each and every member of the Union for a political campaign fund and which is described by CIO leaders as a "voluntary contribution."

The arrangements for the Florida Purchase are reported to be based on the best installment plan tradition, one dollar down when the Negro registers and the other on May 2 when he goes to the polls and gets his card to vote.

More than half of the Negroes have never registered before and are apparently unconscious of the fact that they are doing so now, most of them seeming to regard it as some kind of lottery or policy game in which they stand to win a prize.

This is especially true of a large element of the Negro population in remote sections of the State known as "Swamp Darkies" who have never had the slightest concern in exercising their right to cast a ballot but who are instinctively alert to the possibilities offered in any game of chance.

It is not known whether it was merely coincidence that this scheme to subsidize a large segment of Florida voters was launched during the time the president was in residence in the State or whether it was planned that way.

At any rate, it gave him an excellent opportunity to witness, first hand, some of the practical benefits accruing to his party as a result of "social decisions" by the Supreme Court and the ways in which such rulings can be employed in maintaining and advancing "labor's gains."

GUARD LOYALTY FILES BUT GIVE AWAY A-BOMB SECRET

If as much care had been used in keeping top government secrets on the A-bomb and radar from the Russians as government officials have displayed in preventing loyalty files of employes from getting into the possession of an investigating committee of the Senate, Russia would probably not be so far advanced in making dangerous weapons as she is today.

Houston Donates To Widow of Murdered Man

The friendship of Southern white people for those of the colored race and their sympathy in an hour of need was demonstrated again when the people of Houston last month raised a large sum of money for the widow of the colored yardman who was ruthlessly shot down by a young white man, following a minor motor accident.

Money to pay for her home, educate her children and to meet other expenses was provided by the citizens of Houston and other cities in that area.

Of course the Houston Reds had to get into the act and play the incident up for all in was worth from the racial angle, but aside from that, the gesture was a sincere attempt to express deep regret and, so far as humanly possible, to make amends for the cowardly act of an irresponsible citizen of Houston.

They'll Now Bury The Corpse And Hide The Evidence

Our guess is that regardless of the national implications in the murder of the two Kansas City politician-gangsters and irrespective of the facts behind the double slaying, the matter will be hushed up, and the records carefully concealed, wrapped up and quietly buried in the cemetery of forgotten events.

And the proposed investigation by Congress of the national crime picture, including the election frauds in Kansas City where the ghost of the dead Pendergast still guides the course of the underworld political machine, will die of its own inertia.

There was a time—during the days when the world was a much more decent place than it is today—when the breaking of a public scandal would have inspired a wholesale cleanup and the outraged voters would have demanded a few scalps as a penalty for official iniquity, but not any more.

The dulcet tones of a soothing voice singing political lullabies over the radio from Washington for more than a generation lulled the people into a mental stupor from which they have never recovered.

Regardless of whether we are willing to face up to it or not, the coldblooded fact remains that we have reached a place in the nation's history where the public conscience is deadened, our national pride atrophied and the sensibilities of the citizen blunted to such a degree that no political crime up to and including treason and murder any longer has the power to shock the people into action.

EMPLOYS ETHICS OF THE BEAST IN ATTEMPTED TIDELANDS GRAB

Respect for property rights is one of the characteristics which distinguish man from the animals and constitutes a definite line of demarcation between human beings and beasts of the field.

It is the law of the jungle that denizens of the animal kingdom shall forcibly seize the possessions of others and convert them to their own use.

It was because man is heir to some of this animal instinct to share the possessions which others have acquired through inheritance or the sweat of their brow, that governments were set up to protect him in holding his property from seizure by force.

The Federal government, in attempting to seize the Tidelands from the State of Texas which has a legal and moral claim to the property, is reverting to the law of the jungle and the ethics of the beast.

The citizens of the United States are being treated to the pitiable spectacle of the government cancelling out one of the functions for which it was established and undertaking, itself, to seize the possessions of others at the behest of an administration leader whose avarice, greed and capacity for squandering know no bounds.

The Tidelands had been in the undisputed possession of Texas for more than a hundred years when a self-designated cur (mudgeon) in the Department of Interior first got on the scent of the prey and the pack has been running in full cry ever since.

And even if its right to this valuable oil property under the waters along its coastline had been challenged during any period in history up to several years ago, the State of Texas would have had recourse to a Supreme Court composed of men of impeccable and unimpeachable integrity, completely independent of the Executive or any other branch of government and totally unconcerned in the political ambitions, fortunes and ideologies of the president who appointed them.

In that event, State officials trying the case and protecting the interests of Texas would have enjoyed a feeling of security and a conviction that only facts and the law would weigh in the evidence and that justice for the defendant, rather than favoritism to the plaintiff, would motivate the members of the Court in handing down a decision.

In the light of many biased and "social" rulings, they cannot possibly have this feeling of security now, nor the conviction of the ultimate triumph of justice at the hands of the members of the highest tribunal in the land.

The tragedy involved in the proceedings is not only the great loss in revenue to the State of Texas which threatens if it is robbed by the Federal government of its rich oil lands in the Gulf, and the huge sums of money and time spent in preparing the defense and conducting the litigation.

If it should prove to be possible for the Fair Deal administration, through a Fair Deal Supreme Court, to successfully pull off this big steal by confiscating the Tidelands, the next step will be the taking over of private property of the individual with the ultimate result that the citizen will no longer be a proprietor but a tenant who can be ousted from his land and possessions at the option of an agency which he created to protect his property rights.

LOOK WHO WILL SLEEP IN SAM HOUSTON'S BED

It is reported in the press that when vice president Alben Barkley and his young wife-journey to Austin on May 27 to break bread with Fair Deal party faithfuls of Texas at twenty-five dollars per hunk, the couple will be given an opportunity to sleep in Sam Houston's bed at the gov-

ernor's mansion.

We see no reason why this hospitable gesture should not be extended to the visiting official from Washington but we do think that if any notice of the event is taken by future writers of history, it should be pointed out that sleeping in the same bed was about all that the vice president or any other Fair Dealer had in common with the courageous and straight-thinking adopted son of Texas.

Any other resemblance is simply nonexistent.

HOW THE SOUTHERN CONSERVATIVE IS FINANCED

The report has been spread in Houston and other Texas cities that the Southern Conservative is financed by certain Fort Worth millionaire oil men and has persisted to such an extent that we feel we must take notice of it.

We regret very much indeed to have to admit that the report is completely without foundation and that, so far, not one thin dime of oil money has been received.

To us all money looks alike and we have no hesitancy in accepting funds from any source so long as there are no strings attached.

If we have any feeling about oil money at all, it is to be inclined in its favor because there seems to be so much more of that than any other kind in circulation in these parts, but so far none of it has trickled into our treasury, worse luck.

If we are compelled to publicly discuss the manner in which we are financed—and it seems we are—then the truth compels us to confess that we're not financed. We just operate from month to month and hope for the best.

We do not know how we are going to continue. We only know that we are.

We are able to come out this month by the sale of two pages to a grand organization in Houston who is making a similar fight to ours and who has a long start on us, in accomplishment.

The largest contribution we have received has been a one-thousand dollar check from a good Southerner in another State who believes in the principles for which we are fighting and who made the contribution subject to no conditions or restrictions. We need nine more contributions in this same amount and given under the same conditions and then we could relax and really go to town for a year.

The only money we have received from Fort Worth has been from industrialists who are in no way connected with oil and who have asked nothing in return for their money except copies of the Southern Conservative to place in the hands of their employees. We also need more contributors like them.

We have a great potential source of income for the paper in the thousands who have written in asking to be placed on our list and who, so far, have received it every month, without cost. In this connection, 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.

A modest sum from each of these moral boosters of the paper would put us way out ahead and might even enable the paper to reach that state of affluence where a

salary for the editor could be worked out.

No one, of course, compelled us to start the Southern Conservative and we are in the position of a man in Fort Worth many years ago who ran for constable.

At a meeting on the court house square on the night before the election his three opponents who preceded him told so convincingly how they had been urged and petitioned to run for the office that one got the impression that they only consented to make the race after becoming convinced that there was an overwhelming demand for it.

He arose at last to make his announcement and bowled the audience over with this: "Ladies and gentlemen, you have heard my opponents explain how everybody has ribbed them to run for this job. Now as to who ribbed me to make the race, I want to tell you honestly, ladies and gentlemen. I ribbed myself".

And that is the way it is with the Southern Conservative. No one ribbed us to start it or promised to finance it. We ribbed ourself and we knew the difficulties when we decided to undertake it.

But we feel that there is a definite place for a paper which has the unusual appeal that we believe the Southern Conservative holds for those who are interested in the principles for which it stands.

After all, there are not too many papers in the country, and especially in the South edited by members of our sex who have refused to become camp followers of the New Deal and the Fair Deal and who mean what they say and have a fair idea of how to say it.

And so we are going to stay in there and pitch, somehow, some way, and we hope our supporters stay right in there with us.

Utter Nonsense

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt thinks it is utter nonsense to investigate the Department of State in search of Communists. She herself scheduled a radio show on which Paul Robeson was to have appeared. Announcement of the Roosevelt-Robeson broadcast, however, caused so much protest that Robeson's part of it was canceled.

"The idea back of it," Mrs. Roosevelt explains, "was that any party with a large group of voters, such as Mr. Robeson's progressive party, should have a say."

As for Communism, the New Deal Dowager inquires:

"Have we reached the point in this country where we must be afraid to join an organization for fear some of its members may have been or might be now Communists?"

The answer to that is that anybody who values his name ought to be careful whom he lends it to.—Dallas Morning News.

COALITION OF CONSERVATIVES HAS BEEN THE SALVATION OF THE REPUBLIC

Because the following letter from a Midwest industrialist addressed to the Southern Conservative represents the opinion of a good American whose views we respect even when they run counter to ours, and because we feel that our reply makes clear the Southern Conservative's reasons for its defense of the Congressional Coalition of Southern and Western conservatives in both political parties, we are reproducing both, for the benefit of any one who might have a similar reaction to our work.

His communication received sometime ago said:

"I subscribe fully to the fundamental thoughts expressed in your publication and subscribe fully to your objectives as I interpret them. I think your approach—and I am fully aware that you did not ask my opinion—is wholly wrong and entirely obsolete as far as getting results is concerned.

"For example your own grand State is no longer dominated or controlled by those of Confederate lineage. I don't know but I expect there have been as many people come to Texas and rear children there during the past twenty five years than you had in Texas twenty-five years ago. You may not realize it but there can be no glamor in the name of your publication 'The Southern Conservative' only for those who think as you and I think. Your efforts will be wasted in Texas as well as elsewhere if you attempt to fly under such a banner.

"It is time to quit eulogizing 'Confederates' or 'Unionists' as of the latter we now seem to have only one kind. At any rate it is time to quit living in the past and develop an objective for the future. Obviously this cannot be the objective of generations ago and neither you nor I would be satisfied with them.

"I am not smart enough to suggest a program that would produce results. It is easier to be a critic than to be anything else but it is my sincere opinion that with the approach you are taking you can only appeal to those who think as you and I do. Thus nothing can be accomplished by this approach. In fact I have heard so much of it and had so much of it directed to my own eyes and ears that I am sick of it.

"Remember there is no Solid South even in Texas any more so why attempt to appeal to the Solid South. It is time for us to get rid of all sectionalism".

The reply of the Southern Conservative to the above communication follows:

"We are very glad to have your views on the Southern Conservative.

"Thousands of letters received following the release of the first two editions of the paper, the majority of which were from business executives throughout the South and the Nation, were highly complimentary of the content of the publication and expressed the belief that it would accomplish much good.

"It is for this reason that we especially value your letter for we need constructive criticism even more than we need compliments if we are to render the service with the paper we hope to perform.

"You have undoubtedly given the subject much thought for you have a far greater equity in a discussion of good government than I have. You have a vast enterprise at stake while all I stand to lose is my liberty and individuality as an American citizen. For this reason, your viewpoint merits complete respect and consideration and I am very grateful to you for taking the time and trouble to point out what you consider the weakness of our efforts.

"I must definitely disagree with you, however, in your conclusion that the 'Southern Approach' is all wrong and that those of 'Confederate' lineage have no influence.

In this connection, I would respectfully remind you that if it had not been for the

Southern conservatives in both Houses of Congress aided by Western Republicans, during the past seventeen tragic years of the Nation's history, this country would now be completely, instead of only partially, Sovietized, and neither you, nor any other industrialist, would have any business to be concerned over.

"It was conservative Southern Democrats, supported by Western conservative Republicans, who killed off radical labor legislation and who passed and prevented the repeal of the Taft-Hartley law. It was this same group which has blocked the passage of extreme and radical tax legislation submitted time and time again in the past several years.

"In every major issue before Congress for the past decade and a half, including the attempt to pack the Supreme Court, it was Southern influence which prevented the complete surrender to Roosevelt's and Truman's Communistic proposals.

"Since we no longer have either a Democratic Party or Republican Party, as both are largely permeated with radicalism, there is simply no rallying point for a movement against Socialism and Communism except around this coalition of Southern conservatives and Western Republicans who proved to be the salvation of the Republic in its hour of need.

"While we have no intention of adopting the Rebel yell as our theme song, or otherwise over-emphasizing sectionalism, we are extremely proud, and think every American should be, of the record for sound, constructive statesmanship which has been made by Southern conservative members of Congress during an era when this attribute has been at its lowest ebb in history.

"The vote as listed in the Congressional Record on important legislation will, I believe, cause you to reverse your opinion that Southerners have no function to perform in contemporary political history."

Political Capons In The Republican Party

Those who are trying to handicap and discourage the investigation of a Senate Committee into Communism in the State Department, have able allies in some high up Republicans in the Senate, or rather from those who operate under the Republican banner.

These "Progressive Republicans" are as much of a menace to the cause of good government as "Liberal Democrats."

They are political capons who have had their crow cut out and can only cackle when the Fair Deal lays an egg and call it bi-partisanship.

If we could only pass and enforce a law which would compel government employees to display as much loyalty to their country as Truman has shown toward his convict-sponsor, Pendergast, and the document-stealing Hiss, what a patriotic personnel we would have in the various Washington agencies.

Mr. Truman's idea of a loyalty check is one for \$100,000 for the party campaign fund.—The Dallas Morning News.

Warren G. Harding who was unfortunate in having a few crooks connected with his administration whose worst offense was chiseling paltry sums of money, now sleeps in an obscure and unhonored grave, while Franklin D. Roosevelt who knowingly and deliberately surrounded himself with political racketeers and known enemies of our form of government, sleeps in a National Shrine.

Date

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Don't Fail to Read "Hiss Case"

Americans who like to have their hair stand on end and cold chills chase up and down their spines don't have to read an Erie Stanley Gardner super-duper thriller to achieve this effect.

They can get it by a perusal of a pamphlet recently released by another Californian, Honorable Richard M. Nixon, member of Congress, titled "The Hiss Case" and printed by the United States Government Printing Office but "not at government expense".

The pamphlet is a re-print of his speech delivered before Congress earlier this year.

Congressman Nixon traces the history of the espionage ring which has operated within the government since 1934, involving many in the most confidential positions.

He tells of the difficulties encountered by the Committee on Un-American Activities because of "freeze" orders issued by both Roosevelt and Truman to various departments instructing that such departments give no assistance whatever to the Committee in its attempts to force enemy spies from our Federal payroll.

New Deal apologists took the position that Roosevelt didn't act against these enemy agents because we were at war and that his refusal was based on security reasons. Of course this was pure, simple, unadulterated baloney because Roosevelt was advised as early as 1939 that Hiss and others in the State Department were members of the Communist Party and were part of the ring which was delivering secret State papers and documents to Soviet agents, and we were not in war at that time.

Following receipt of this information by Roosevelt, Hiss was promoted to higher and more responsible positions in the government culminating in his selection as a confidential Secretary to Roosevelt on his trip to Yalta when he "dealt" with Uncle Joe by giving him everything but his shirt.

Even after a former Russian code clerk testified in 1945 in the espionage trial in Canada that the Soviets had an agent in the United States who was assistant to the Secretary of State at that time nothing was done by Truman who had assumed the presidency on Roosevelt's death.

When the Committee on Un-American Activities took up the case of Hiss in July of 1948, Harry Truman contemptuously referred to its hearings as a "red herring". He had previously, on March 13, 1948, issued a directive to the Civil Service Review Board which passes on the loyalty of government employees not to disclose any information on the records or loyalty of government employees to the Committee or any one else.

By withholding evidence of Hiss' transactions, Roosevelt and Truman had permitted the statute of limitation to expire which made it impossible for Hiss to be tried for treason and only the minor charge of perjury could be brought against him.

Lest the reader be confused into thinking we are discussing the actions of Molotov and Vishinsky, or other officials of the Comintern, we would remind them that this has to do with two American presidents who, for seventeen years have presided as Chief Executives of the United States, whose first sworn duty was to this country and not to Russia.

Every American who fails to read the Congressman's review of the Hiss case is missing the most enlightening contribution to contemporary political literature which has yet been made.

Oklahoma Senator Sound When Own Business Involved

The Oklahoma Senator who has been a worshipper at the New Deal and Fair Deal shrine, and has voted right down the line on "share-the-wealth" proposals in tax legislation ran true to form and reneged on his allegiance when it came to a matter touching his own pocket book.

Like all the wealthy followers of Karl Marx, he believes in Socialism as it relates to the other fellow but not to himself.

He had plenty to say about the regulation of private business by government agencies recently when his bill to exempt certain independent natural gas companies from rates and regulations of the Power Commission, was up for action.

Of course he was right in the position he took but not right from principle, but from profit. He is owner of properties of the type sought to be exempted.

Incidentally the passage of the legislation exempting such companies was passed by both Houses and is now before the president for signature and is causing that gentleman to hop around like a Mexican jumping bean in an effort to find some way off of the hot seat where it placed him.

He has a reputation for opposing big business to maintain but it's hard to do it when that business is owned in part by a heavy contributor to his campaign and a valuable "yes man" and flunkey in Congress.

This Guy Must Be From Missouri

In Hollywood where anything can happen, and usually does, a United States district immigration official in commenting on the report that Ingrid Bergman might be barred from returning to this country because of the moral turpitude clause of our immigration laws, is quoted by the press as expressing the belief that Miss Bergman could not be kept out because of this provision.

"The term 'moral turpitude' means an act done contrary to justice, honesty, modesty or good morals which in itself is one of baseness, vileness and depravity," the official is quoted as explaining and then adding:

"Hearsay evidence is not acceptable."

From where we sit, it looked like there was some very live evidence to support such charges but if one wants to get technical, of course we don't really know any more about it than the Los Angeles immigration official.

After all, maybe the much publicized episode in Rome was only a rumor in the class with that of the flying saucers and the report of funny business in the State Department.

MEMBER OF CONGRESS LIKES OUR PAPER

We are very much appreciative of a letter from a member of Congress enclosing a check for the Southern Conservative.

The paper is sent without cost to all members of Congress, members of Southern Legislatures, and various other officials who shape public policies and influence public thinking, but the Congressman who has indicated on other occasions that he thinks well of the Southern Conservative, insisted on doing his bit.

We thank him very cordially.

"DISPLACED PERSONS" AND "DISPLACED PRINCIPLES"

The Senate has voted to admit 359,000 "displaced persons" into the United States from European countries, raising by 20,000 the number in a bill passed earlier by the House of Representatives which had placed the quota at 339,000.

There are already 135,000 of such persons here brought in under previous legislation.

The joker in the legislation was the passage by the Senate of an amendment barring "subversives" by requiring all persons over eighteen years of age to sign an affidavit that they do not believe in the "destruction of free competitive enterprise and the 'revolutionary' overthrow of representative government."

We wonder if any member of the Senate who voted for such an amendment seriously thought that any of the numerous subversives who will flock in under the new bill would be halted by the mere formality of having to sign such an affidavit.

None of our domestic radicals believe in the "revolutionary" overthrow of our government for that matter, preferring the more direct but surer way of boring from within and working for its overthrow by peaceful means.

Perhaps the majority of the newcomers to our shores will become assimilated and make good citizens but far too many of them will not and will only add to the growing ranks of "displaced persons" who are fast making this a nation of "displaced principles."

Labor's Gains On The West Coast

Los Angeles is the fabulous and beautiful metropolis of the West Coast formerly known as the City of the Angels but more recently referred to as "Little Moscow" out of deference to the political views of a large segment of its movie population.

It is also one of the proving grounds for radical labor policies where such racketeers as Harry Bridges, an alien-born alleged Communist and others of his ilk wield almost total power over their minions among the laboring class up and down the shores of the blue Pacific.

In a recent demonstration of "labor's gains" in the Golden State swarms of labor union thugs descended on four Los Angeles cafes simultaneously where employees refused to pay tribute to union goons for the right to work.

Thirty-five hundred patrons of the four establishments were plunged into confusion and panic by the hoodlums who threw scraps of paper and other trash into the food being served the customers, intimidated citizens going into and out of the restaurants, prevented deliveries of supplies and made threats to overturn automobiles in the parking lot.

It should be borne in mind that this was not a raid by the Gestapo during Hitler's reign in Germany, of Stalin's OGPU nor of Italy's black shirts in the days of Mussolini but a planned and deliberate assault in this year of our Lord 1950 on private citizens peaceably assembled, by a group which has been set apart by Roosevelt and Truman as a privileged class exempt from laws to which all others are subject, holding priority in favors of government and immune to punishment for lawlessness and acts of violence.

Because of the conglomerate and raff raff population which has been wished on the State, California has been able to sway elections in favor of two presidents who have cursed this nation with a policy which protects union members in their right to strike but refuses to protect non-union members in their right to work.

Washington Scene

By George Dixon

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I BELIEVE I have hinted in the past about the great new love in my life—a lady down in Ft. Worth, Tex., named Ida M. Darden.

We have never met in the flesh, but I adore her with a passion that transcends ordinary human understanding. She is probably the most deadly sarcastic doll I have ever wotted of.

Ida—I idolize ya—is the editor of a new non-Fair Dealish organ called the Southern Conservative. It is dedicated and devoted to belting the Truman administration hip, thigh, and any other place that editor Ida can land a belt. But that isn't the only reason I love her.

I love her—I love her—ah, Ida!—because of a take-off column she perpetrates headed "My Night." It follows, almost slavishly, a style created by another fair writer of the same sex.

Herewith another issue of my Ida's "My Night":

"A few nights ago, I had the pleasure of addressing a meeting of the organization known as the Young Workers' International Trade Union whose inspiring slogan, 'More pay for less service,' has been a great stimulus and incentive to those of us who are striving to maintain labor's gains throughout the world.

"Immediately following my talk I gave the young men and women of the group permission to ask me questions on any subject and the nature of the queries propounded to me were of such broad and general concern and covered such a wide field of social and human interest that I have decided to reproduce a few of the most typical in my column:

"Q—I lost my boy friend in World War II. He survived the Battle of the Bulge but later fell for a Belgian Blonde. Is there any way I can get him back?

"A—I have always felt that a bureau of the federal government should be set up to deal with problems like yours but perhaps we are not yet educated up to that point. Amalgamated Countries is giving serious and profound study to various social subjects and Committee B has conducted wide and extensive research into the question of Blondes who prey on wandering males. However, large bodies like Amalgamated Countries move slowly, while Blondes are fast workers and it might be well for you, in the meantime, to be looking around for another boy friend.

"Q—You seem to like to mix with all sorts and types of people, the low as well as the high. Why is this?

"A—I think that perhaps this is because I like to regard myself as a Walking Delegate of Democracy and because I feel that I have a much better chance of getting my theories of government and social customs adopted if I am presented to my public as a gregarious character who takes equal delight in dining one night with royalty in Buckingham Palace and the next night with bums in Skid Row.

"Q—My father is a retired Russian spy, my mother a former undercover agent for the Soviet secret police, and I am in this country on a forged passport. Do you think I can get a job with the State Department?

"A—I see no reason why a person of your obvious intelligence and resourcefulness should not be given a position with our government and especially with the State Department. I have always felt that we as a democracy, should extend the same opportunity for employment to the young people of other countries that we accord our own, and that there should be no discrimination because of loyalty. It has been my privilege in the past to help shape the brilliant careers of several proteges with qualifications such as you possess, which perhaps accounts for the tender feeling I have for young persons with backgrounds similar to yours."

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Plans of Radical Labor Leaders For Southern Democratic Primaries

Organized labor's political strategy is to defeat at least twenty of the sixty Southern Democratic Congressmen who supported the Taft-Hartley Law. The plan is to "knock off" at least six Texas Conservative Democrats in the U. S. House of Representatives. With such a showing from the Banner Democratic State in the summer primaries the drive for a Labor landslide in the general elections to follow in November would be well under way.

The power-mad labor-leader dictators are playing for big stakes. Repeal of the Taft-Hartley Law is a mere detail in their program. Absolute control of Government by men like Harry Bridges, John L. Lewis, Phil Murray and William Green is the big prize.

When that day comes it means goodbye to the rule of the people. It will be a government of, by and for the labor-leader racketeers. The American heritage to own and to save will be gone with the wind.

WHAT BEING ON LABOR'S BLACK LIST MEANS

About 60 Southern Congressmen are on the BLACK LIST of the Washington Labor Lobby because of their support of the Taft-Hartley Labor Relations Law. Their names and addresses follow:

TEXAS:

J. Frank Wilson, Dallas.
Olin E. Teague, College Station.
Tom Pickett, Palestine.
W. R. Poage, Waco.
Wingate H. Lucas, Fort Worth.
Ed Gossett, Wichita Falls.
Lloyd M. Bentsen, Jr., McAllen.
Ken Regan, Midland.
George H. Mahon, Colorado City.
Paul J. Kilday, San Antonio.
O. C. Fisher, San Angelo.

Other Southern Democratic Congressmen on Labor's BLACK LIST are the following. Practically all of them will seek reelection this year.

ALABAMA:

Frank W. Boykin, Mobile.
George M. Grant, Troy.
George W. Andrews, Union Springs.
Sam Hobbs, Selma.
Laurie C. Battle, Birmingham.

ARKANSAS:

E. C. Gathings, West Memphis.

FLORIDA:

Dwight L. Rogers, Fort Lauderdale.

GEORGIA:

Prince H. Preston, Jr., Statesboro.
E. E. Cox, Camilla.
A. Sidney Camp, Newnan.
James C. Davis, Decatur.
Carl Vinson, Milledgeville.
W. M. Wheeler, Alma.
John S. Wood, Canton.
Paul Brown, Elberton.

KENTUCKY:

Noble J. Gregory, Mayfield.

LOUISIANA:

F. Edward Hebert, New Orleans.
Edwin E. Willis, St. Martinville.
Overton Brooks, Shreveport.
Otto E. Passman, Monroe.
Henry D. Larcade, Jr., Opelousas.

MISSISSIPPI:

John E. Rankin, Tupelo.
Jamie L. Whitten, Charleston.
Wm. M. Whittington, Greenwood.
Thomas G. Abernethy, Okolona.
Wm. Arthur Winstead, Philadelphia.
William M. Colmer, Pascagoula.
John Bell Williams, Raymond.

NORTH CAROLINA:

Herbert C. Bonner, Washington.
John H. Kerr, Warrenton.
Graham A. Barden, New Bern.
Thurmond Chatham, Winston-Salem.
Carl T. Durham, Chapel Hill.
F. Ertel Carlyle, Lumberton.
Robt. L. Doughton, Laurel Springs.
Monroe M. Redden, Hendersonville.

SOUTH CAROLINA:

L. Mendel Rivers, Charleston.
James B. Hare, Saluda.
Joseph R. Bryson, Greenville.
James P. Richards, Lancaster.
John L. McMillan, Florence.

TENNESSEE:

Tom Murray, Jackson.
Clifford Davis, Memphis.

VIRGINIA:

J. Vaughan Gary, Richmond.
Watkins M. Abbitt, Appomattox.
Thomas B. Stanley, Stanleytown.
Clarence G. Burton, Lynchburg.
Burr P. Harrison, Winchester.
Howard W. Smith, Alexandria.

If a Congressman is on LABOR'S BLACK LIST it simply means that he does not take orders from John L. Lewis, Phil Murray and others of the Washington Labor Lobby. It means that the Congressman has used his vote and his influence to block the Labor Monopoly scheme to take control of our National Government; that the Congressman votes his own honest convictions which he sincerely believes to be in the best interest of the general welfare of all the people.

But these 60 Southern Congressmen are also on another list and it is of a different color. It is the red, white and blue list of patriotic public servants. It is recognized by every red-blooded American who wants to prevent our Nation from going down the dreary road traveled by Great Britain to Socialism and poverty.

Patriotic Christian Americans feel that the best way to retain and improve our American free enterprise system of profit and loss is to re-elect these courageous Conservative Congressmen. Here is how many voters, working as individuals and in groups plan to return them to Congress for further useful service to the Nation and their respective states.

(1) By serving as volunteer campaign workers, starting immediately. (2) By inducing at least ten neighbors and friends to do likewise. (3) By distributing this and other informative literature in their own neighborhood, precinct and county. (4) By contributing to the expense of mailing it to rural box holders and to voters lists in the towns and cities. (5) By furnishing and using their automobiles to carry voters to the polls on Primary Election Day.

OUR DEMOCRAT-SOCIALIST-LABOR PARTY

It is very well recognized by now that what we have here in America is a Socialist-Labor government, which is calling the shots for its Administration stooges.

This has come about at Roosevelt's direction—he was working with Lord Keynes and the Socialist Fabian Society of England, which was back of the English Labor Government when it took over after the War. Roosevelt was working for a similar set-up here in America, where he would become the dictator and Labor would be his commissars to keep the people in line through a Police State.

The only reason this job was not completed was that Roosevelt died, and the weakling, Truman, did not have the ex-

INCOME TAX LIMITATION PROPOSALS

The Tax Relief Committee is in full accord with the proposal to repeal the XVI (Income Tax) Amendment and replace it with a constitutional provision prohibiting Congress from levying a peacetime rate in excess of 25 per cent on individual and corporate net incomes, gifts and estates. Our tax group had something to do with the adoption of this resolution in several state legislatures. We shall continue our efforts along that line by fully cooperating with organizations and individual taxpayers favoring this sound principle. There

is no time limit on this proposed constitutional amendment and the usual provision requiring ratification or rejection within seven years from the date of submission does not apply.

Some nineteen States have taken legislative action petitioning Congress to submit the proposal. Thirty-two states are required to cause submission. It becomes a part of the Constitution of the United States when ratified by 36 State lawmaking bodies. Ten State Legislatures meet in 1950 in regular session and there are several called sessions scheduled.

We were recently advised by Mr. F. E. Packard, Executive Vice President of the Western Tax Council, a national organization devoting its exclusive attention to the proposal, of the following recent progress in advancing the movement to limit the taxing powers of Congress by Constitutional amendment: "It has passed the House of Delegates and is now in the Senate of Virginia. It passed the Senate unanimously in South Carolina and is pending in the house. We are working in California and Louisiana. California looks quite promising."

perience nor ability to put it over, though he has been trying hard enough to do so. However, the big labor bosses, who control national unions such as our railroads, coal, telegraph, telephone, power, shipping, the automobile industry, printing, etc., have taken over and are the real rulers of the country today and their word is law—they push the buttons which direct what is done in Washington. When the time is ripe, they will expect to take over and form a Socialist-Labor government, the same as they now have in England.

Keeping this clearly in mind, see what these labor bosses have acquired through the active help of the Administration. They succeeded in passing the Wagner Act, which removed labor from the restraints of the Anti-Trust laws. Then they were helped to organize industries on a nationwide basis, thus creating monopolies which would have been illegal under the Anti-Trust laws. Then they had laws passed which would allow closed shops and force all those who wished to work to join the unions, whether they wanted to or not. Thus, the freedom of individual workers was taken away from them. Then they were allowed by law to stage secondary boycotts, so that no plants or merchants could use materials made by a struck plant.

By law, an employer could not hire, discharge or change the rating of any worker according to his ability, without the consent of the labor boss—he was not even allowed legally to talk to his workers.

Then labor's stooges in Washington actively helped boost wages in many essential industries—not once, but many times. At the same time, government officials were telling the public of the "exorbitant earnings of industry—that industry could easily 'absorb' round after round of increased wages without raising prices."

Intensive propaganda, all paid for out of our tax money, has been continued for years, spreading lies and half-truths and deception among our people to build a case for labor control.

The Taft-Hartley law was finally passed over the President's veto, which checked some of the worst existing impositions, but it did not go far enough—it should have placed labor once more under our Anti-Trust laws and done away with industry-wide national unions—yet, mild as it is, labor calls it a "slave law." What rot!

The foregoing article is from the monthly Business Letter for April, published by the Clover Manufacturing Company of Norwalk, Conn.

To make the Taft-Hartley Law workable it should be amended to provide that no person shall be denied employment because of membership or non-membership in a labor union. It should also contain a provision to prohibit the use of force or violence, or the threats thereof, to prevent any person from engaging in a lawful occupation anywhere in the United States. Brass knuckles, six shooters, blackjacks and other deadly weapons should be banned as instruments of collective bargaining by thugs and goons in a picket line.—The Christian American.

The CHRISTIAN AMERICAN Inc.

Its Purposes And Accomplishments

By

Lewis Valentine Ulrey, Chairman

The Christian American was incorporated under the laws of Texas, Nov. 5, 1936. The name Christian American was chosen because the philosophy of Christianity was woven into the warp and woof of our Organic Law by the Founding Fathers; besides, the Supreme Court of the U. S. rendered the unanimous decision in the Trinity Church case that "this is a Christian nation."

The Christian American leaders conceive their proper function and true mission to be: (1) The defense of our matchless Constitution and the ordered government established under its wise provisions; (2) to aid in the preservation of the unique political liberty that inspired document has brought to the American people; (3) to aid in the continuance and preservation of the marvelously successful system of economics and free enterprise that has made our beloved country, though one of the youngest nations of earth, the greatest, the most powerful and the richest ever known to the annals of men; (4) to resist to the uttermost all subversive movements designed to destroy the American way of life and the ethics and philosophy of the Divine Carpenter of Galilee.

We Christian Americans believe in the profit motive and that the laborer is worthy of his hire. We further believe that the employer who exercises thrift and cudgels his brain on how to meet the payroll is just as much a laborer in the human vineyard as the hewer of wood and drawer of water who receives his wage at the hand of that employer. In other words, the labor of the brain is on a parity of merit with the work of hand and body; besides, it requires the combination of brain and brawn to make a success of any industry. Therefore, class hatred in industry is both silly and wicked.

The responsible leaders of Christian American, Inc., who have, in their time, labored with hand and body as well as with brain, have come to very definitely believe that decent and honorable men and women should be allowed to fulfill God's first mandate to man — "In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread"—without first getting the consent of and paying tribute to John L. Lewis, Phil Murray, Bill Green or any labor racketeer. And we firmly believe that since America has become fairly well alerted to the danger of Communism, the remaining greatest danger confronting our beloved land now lies with the greedy and ruthless labor racketeers, for we are fully persuaded that there is no more cruel and dangerous dictatorship than that of the arrogant and conscienceless men at the head of a great labor racket, in the direction of which America is now rapidly drifting.

The Christian American leadership came to understand quite early that Chief Justice John Marshall was definitely right when he declared that "The power to tax is the power to destroy." Even before the incorporation of Christian American they were advocating just and reasonable taxation laws. Our President and Executive Director, Mr. Vance Muse, has long been nationally recognized as an outstanding expert on what we may call **political taxation**, and from the very inception of Christian American, Inc., has maintained a tax division of our organization.

With such an advanced and comprehensive program of high and just principles, now being carried forward with great energy and considerable success, it is not at all to be wondered at that Christian American and its responsible leadership should be lied about, slandered and smeared in magazines, books and newspapers, and even in legislative halls, by Red atheists, haters of Christianity and labor racketeers. But we have met and battled it out with the radical critics and subverters, meanwhile making steady progress in our work, until now the ultra-radicals seem chary about tackling us.

Vance Muse, Esq. was the chief incorporator of Christian American, and, as said before, its President and Executive Director through the months and the years, during which time he has labored so strenuously and with such high intelligence that he ranks with the great publicists of the nation and is now, without any doubt, the outstanding publicist in the entire Southland. Other movements with professed objectives similar to our own have risen, soon to die of inanition, but Christian American goes onward and upward in public approval and actual accomplishment, until now our worst enemies recognize our potency and success.

The Christian American pioneered and successfully sponsored the campaign of education and legislative action (1) making it a penitentiary offense to use or threaten to use force or violence in preventing or attempting to prevent any person from engaging in a lawful vocation, and (2) providing that no person shall be denied employment because of membership or non-membership in a labor union.

The Supreme Court of the United States in its first opinion handed down in 1949 declared the Christian American anti-closed shop laws to be constitutional and valid. Its last opinion handed down in 1949 upheld the constitutionality of the Anti Violence laws that Christian American sponsored. The decision was unanimous.

The CIO NEWS of Washington, D. C., in a recent editorial flaying the Christian American and its Executive Director said: Vance Muse (because we haven't done any close checking on him) but we know what happened to the 'freedom to work' idea he planted in a state which then had few union members. It spread slowly at first, then more rapidly. Thirty-six (36) states enacted measures outlawing the closed shop or the union shop or sharply limiting union security provisions. Then Congress enacted the Taft-Hartley Act . . ."

The following is from Frederick Woltman in the Washington Daily News and other Scripps-Howard papers: "William Green, AFL President, has called him (Vance Muse) the spearhead of the campaign for state anti-union laws. Phil Murray, CIO President, has warned against him, so have the Railroad Brotherhoods and John L. Lewis' United Mine Workers."

Many of the top-notch labor leaders publicly and privately admit that it was the Christian American crusade for legislation to curb and control radical labor leaders and groups that led to the eventual enactment of the Taft-Hartley law, and that Christian American publicity and propaganda aided in preventing its repeal.

The Christian American is now con-

ducting a direct mail campaign of education informing the public why radical labor demands the defeat of Southern Conservative Congressmen.

The Christian American early endorsed the plan to repeal the 16th (Income Tax) Amendment to the U. S. Constitution and replace it with a provision to limit the maximum rate on incomes, gifts and inheritances to 25 per cent. Nineteen states have adopted such a resolution, and in several Southern State Legislatures it was handled by Mr. Muse and his associates.

The Tax Relief Committee, organized under Christian American auspices, has boldly stood for the principle of reducing rates in the higher income brackets in order to obtain a larger total tax revenue from wealthy taxpayers. It has made a hard fight for the elimination of double or dual taxation on dividend income. Taxing authorities in Congress, for the first time in a quarter century, are giving serious study to these two tax reforms sponsored by our group. Comprising a grass roots constituency our affiliated TAX RELIEF COMMITTEE concentrated its efforts at the crossroads and the forks of the creek to arouse powerful influences reaching into the tax formulating committees of Congress and inspiring conservative action. More than 300 Senior members of 48 State Legislatures constitute the Legislative Action group and they have done a remarkable job.

As Chairman of The CHRISTIAN AMERICAN, Inc., it has been one of my duties to approve the financial statements to the Collector of Internal Revenue; and so, through the years, my admiration and approval has been challenged by the meticulous care with which President Muse has handled OPM (other people's money) in the operations of our organization. This distinguished publicist, who could have easily made a great fortune as a public relations or advertising man, has not only made the dollars go far in our publicity campaigns, but has personally restricted himself to a small, not to say meager, salary under the circumstances. He averaged his take from Christian American the past six years to only \$5,000 per annum, but raised to \$6,000 annual salary in 1949. Contributors most certainly get a real run for their money in the Christian American Movement.

I quote the following from the 1950-51 edition of WHO'S WHO IN AMERICA: "VANCE MUSE, organization executive, born on a farm near Moran, Texas, Jan'y 6, 1890. Educated in public schools and Cullen School of Business at Cleburne, Texas. Began as laborer Santa Fe Railway, successively typist, bookkeeper and later Publicity Commissioner Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce. Originated organization plan for West Texas Chamber of Commerce. Associated with John Henry Kirby in Tariff matters for Texas and Southern products, 1919 to 1925; Director for national group sponsoring Mellon plan of taxation, 1926 to 1932; with others formed Southern Committee to Uphold the Constitution, 1934; an incorporator and President of the Christian American, Houston, Texas, since 1936; Sponsor freedom to work Amendment to Arkansas Constitution, also adopted by Florida, Arizona, Nebraska, South Dakota and other states. Democrat. Home and office 2708 Werlein Street, Houston 5, Texas."

CIO OUSTS COMMUNISTS, ADVOCATES COMMUNISTIC PRINCIPLES OF TAXATION

The CIO has made the front pages by driving Communists out of positions of power in their union. Public opinion and the Taft-Hartley law drove Phil Murray to this action. But it is not on record that the CIO has abandoned its advocacy of Communism in our Federal tax laws.

Karl Marx and Frederick Engels, in the Communist Manifesto of 1848, laid down the following procedure as the forerunner of a successful socialist revolution for non-Communist countries:

A heavy progressive or graduated income tax.

Abolition of all rights of inheritance.

The present tax program of the CIO is outlined in an expensive booklet selling for one dollar each and entitled a FEDERAL TAX PROGRAM TO PROMOTE FULL EMPLOYMENT. It calls for the following:

An undistributed and excess profits tax to be enacted to tax away "exorbitant and speculative" profits.

An increase in capital gains taxes.

Repeal the income splitting provisions allowed husbands and wives in the Revenue Act of 1948.

Increased taxes on gifts and estates.

Unequivocally opposed to elimination of "double taxation" on dividend income.

Read the proceedings of the House Ways and Means Committee and you will find that whenever a CIO official or economist appears before that tax formulating body you will find that he invariably follows the Communist Party line in his recommendations to Congress.—Tax Relief Committee Bulletin.

THE WAGE EARNERS COMMITTEE

Full page ads have recently appeared in Los Angeles papers sponsored by the Wage Earners Committee of the U.S.A. Six of these ads coming to our attention carry the following headings: You are being led into slavery; Are You Willing to Lose Your Freedom Without a Fight?; You Are the Dummy; Representation, Not Regimentation; Wage Earners Defy Power-Mad Labor Boss, and Wanted 10 Million Americans Who Won't Be Pushed Around.

Declaration of policy of the Wage Earners Committee of the U.S.A. is slated in each ad to be as follows:

We will oppose every candidate controlled by the labor boss. Why? Because as tools of the labor boss, these men cannot represent all the people. We will fight any group . . . big business, small business, Communist, Fabian Socialist, or any other, that seeks to control the government. Why? Because the Government must belong to all the people, not to a segment of its population. We will support the honest candidates the Labor Boss is attempting to purge. Why? Because we know as the Labor Boss knows, that these men stand between him and dictatorship. We will pay no attention to party labels. Why? Because there are representatives in both parties who are tools of the Labor Boss, and there are fearless men in both parties who will not be dominated by the Labor Boss.

George Uehlein is President and Alice Stranahan is the secretary and treasurer of The Wage Earners Committee with headquarters at Glendale and Riverside Drive, Los Angeles 39, California.

The literature of this organization is MUST reading to all who desire government control of radical labor instead of Radical Labor control of Government.—Christian American Bulletin.

RACES FOR GOVERNORSHIP OF TEXAS IN SAFE HANDS

(Editor's note: Since this was written Olin Culberson has withdrawn from the race because of illness.)

The report persists that former United States Senator W. Lee O'Daniel will make the race for Governor of Texas, a position he won twice without a run-off before becoming junior Senator in our national lawmaking body, from this State.

If this report should prove reliable, it will mean that three strong candidates will be in this race which practically insures that one of the three will be in the run-off with the Waco college professor who is openly seeking support of the CIO and other radical elements.

The Southern Conservative which is concerned only in principles and not in the fortunes of any particular candidate, sees in this situation a wholesome trend when three men of this type offer for office, one of whom is almost sure to win over any radical opponent in the run-off.

Having enjoyed the friendship of all three for many years, it is our belief that Texas will be in safe hands regardless of which one wins. None of the three have been openly allied with the New Deal or Fair Deal.

Allan Shivers, the present governor and a candidate for the office in the coming primaries, has a good background and is well versed in sound and fundamental principles of government.

He has rendered distinguished service to the State as a member of the Senate and as Lieutenant Governor. In addition, he has that invaluable political asset, a physical attractiveness which would have won him a movie contract if he had chosen acting instead of politics as his vocation.

Many of his friends feel that he has one black mark against his record, however, and that was his conciliating gesture in journeying to Washington to attend the inauguration of Fair Dealer Truman. They also feel that he would have added immeasurably to his stature if he had resented the open insult to two other Southern governors offered by the little bantam from Missouri and had summarily left the proceedings following this display of bad taste on the part of the Chief Executive.

Olin Culberson who has formally announced for the office has been identified with political affairs for many years in Texas and is known particularly for his long and useful service as a member of the Railroad Commission. Recognized by his friends and political foes alike as a man of unswerving and unquestioned integrity, as attested by the fact that he has never surrendered his convictions as a real Democrat to political expediency as so many members of his party have done, he is expected to be a strong contender for the office.

W. Lee O'Daniel whose matchless courage in defying labor union racketeers and their nefarious practices almost single-handed and alone on the floor of the United States Senate at a time when most were afraid to lift their voices against the strongly-organized radicals, has won for him the wholehearted admiration of millions throughout the country, has always

Tennessee Senator Runs into A Dead-End Street

An amusing situation has developed in the Senate in connection with efforts to launch a national investigation into organized crime and racketeering which was proposed in a resolution introduced in the Senate last January by Senator Estes Kefauver of Tennessee.

The Tennessean who is a devout Fair Deal radical and who votes right straight down the party line—but who evidently has much to learn about the application of theories in practical politics—was obviously serious when he pled so fervently for the launching of such an investigation.

In fact he was so much in earnest that he refuses to let go now and holds on to his proposal with the tenacity of a Northwest Mountie tracking down his prey.

Of course his more experienced colleagues who egged him on to introduce the resolution on the ground that it was a good moral gesture, and who had kidded him into thinking they would support it, had no remote intention of letting any such investigation ever really get under way.

Such a probe would lead inevitably to a great Midwest metropolis where crime and politics have been blended in such smooth perfection that it is difficult to tell where one leaves off and the other begins and where the efficient operation of underworld forces has produced leaders who produced presidents.

If the investigation had been held, some live leads might have been provided by the recent murders of two unfortunate underworld characters in Kansas City who performed in dual roles, serving as Democratic Party leaders in the daytime and then assuming their responsibilities as successful and rising young gangsters after the shadows of night had fallen.

But no such investigation will ever take place, of course, and someone should take the Volunteer State solon aside and tell him the political facts of life and explain to him that crime ain't crime when committed in the interest of the party.

Richard Hadley of Willcox, Arizona, is a young man nineteen years old whom the New Deal and Fair Deal propaganda beamed at the youth of the nation has certainly failed to impress. Young Hadley who does his own thinking says: "Those bureaucrats in the Department of Agriculture who, in their off-hours, spend their time loafing around Washington drawing rooms delicately fingering cocktail glasses with their uncalloused, lily-white hands while they prattle about the farmer, should be the last to administer agricultural matters. If the Department of Agriculture can produce one man who ever planted an acre of corn, picked a pound of cotton or roped a calf on the first try, I would like to meet him."

"Truman Road" in Kansas City is certainly making headlines fast. Following the shooting of two gangster political leaders on that thoroughfare recently, and while police were guarding the building where the shooting occurred, thieves broke in next door and stole six hundred dollars. Maybe the officers guarding the building were just instinctively following the Pendergast rule and "looking the other way" which accounted for their failure to know what was going on.

had sufficient following in the State to sweep him into office without a run-off, although the competition from two such strong candidates would undoubtedly cut into his following.

With this line-up of candidates for the highest office in the State, we would have the comforting feeling that Texas could not lose, regardless of the winner.

Sure Way to Get Ahead in The Fair Deal Government

We infer from press reports that the quickest way to the top in the State Department and the surest chance of earning the confidence of top administration officials is to get one's self accused of having Communist sympathies.

It was by this method of selection that Alger Hiss rose from an obscure position in that branch of the government to that of confidential secretary to a president of the United States during his mission to Yalta to "deal" with Stalin.

Following recent charges by United States Senator Joe McCarthy of Wisconsin that Phillip C. Jessup, Ambassador at large, had an "unusual affinity" for Communism, that official was immediately stepped up to such a commanding status that secret atomic information will be given him, along with authority to confer with Canada and Britain on the exchange of data on this highly explosive subject.

Presumably this promotion was ordered by the president who has the cute little habit of acting first and thinking later and who is addicted to snappy, off-the-cuff decisions.

Proceeding on this line of reasoning, it is perhaps just as well that Gerhard Eisler skipped his bond and blew the country while awaiting trial on charges of plotting to overthrow our government, else there is no telling to what confidential post he might have been named pending the outcome of his trial.

Warren H. Field, Sr., of Texas City, Texas, is a retired officer of the U. S. Immigration Service and a patriotic American if there ever was one. Speaking of rights of the States Mr. Field writes: "When I was a Federal officer, I astounded many people when I asserted that a State policeman or a city policeman, working under State jurisdiction had much more authority than I. Nor could I make them understand my reason for taking with me either a State or city officer when I made a raid. And now when I make the statement that Roosevelt by browbeating the Congress and packing the Supreme Court has destroyed our tripartite form of government, very few know what I am talking about."

Mr. Truman Urges Pay for No Work

The President wants to pay the unemployed of America \$30 (instead of \$20) a week for not working. He wants to pay them out of the deficit in the Federal Treasury. If you are working, you are taxed for doing it. Your pay is taken away from you before you get it—the tax part of it is. But not even the President dares to take enough of your pay away from you to pay the not-workers \$30 a week for twenty-six weeks. You wouldn't stand for it. So the President proposed to take it out of the deficit.

Taking it out of the deficit is something that has been going on in this country for almost a generation. It began in Hoover's administration. Mr. Truman denounces Hooverism—and practices Hooverism on this deficit business.

Who is unemployed? If you decide that you are a professional extractionist and there are no teeth for you to pull, you are unemployed. Suppose you decide to specialize on hen's teeth. And you are unemployed. Do you get \$30 a week for twenty-six weeks?

You are a portrait painter or an adagio dancer or a parachute man who goes up in a balloon at a county fair. And you do not like to chop cotton or haul gravel or wash dishes in a restaurant. Do you get \$30 a week for twenty-six weeks?

All this, of course, is beside the point. Old Bob Doughton, chairman of the ways and means committee of the House of Representatives, says his group can't get around to the President's idea this year. That protects the deficit somewhat. And in the meantime the elections will take place in November. Unemployment of Democratic candidates, it is hoped, will be avoided. So, you see, the President is sincere about unemployment, after all. Perfectly sincere.—Dallas Morning News.

We know one person in the United States who won't mind responding to the long list of asinine questions contained in the census form because this human oracle devotes one segment of her multifarious activities to answering questions—all kinds of questions covering any and all subjects—and has presumably never been known to give the wrong answer.

NOTICE TO READERS

In a moment of weakness, and because of our inability to anticipate future contingencies, we made the rash statement in our January edition that the Southern Conservative would be sent without cost to those writing for the paper.

We had in mind that this request would come from a few Texans and others in the South but had no idea that a large percentage of the population of every State in the Union would ask to be placed on our mailing list.

This has been done to such an extent that we would have to have the facilities and staff comparable in size to those of one of the free-spending Federal government agencies in order to be able to comply with all requests.

One enthusiastic—and valued—friend of the paper even went so far as to buy up a whole slue of postcards and send them to practically all their acquaintances telling how good the Southern Conservative was and urging them to write in for the paper which would cost them nothing.

While highly appreciative of such enthusiastic moral support, we find our resources strained in coping with the situation which it generates.

Ever since the first deluge of letters descended on us in January, we have been gradually trying to gracefully renege on our wild promise and ease out from under an obligation which we had not anticipated.

While sharply criticising politicians for offering "something for nothing", it seems we have fallen into the same error.

Of course many readers have sent in voluntary contributions toward support of the paper but far too many have not. A small donation of from three to ten dollars from each one receiving the paper would automatically solve the financial problems of the Southern Conservative and leave the editor free to direct all energy toward making it a better paper.

Beginning with the May edition, we will be able to send the paper only to those who have made some contribution toward the publication. It will continue, of course, to be sent free to members of Congress, Legislators, and other public officials to whom its messages are principally directed.

SOUTHERN OPPOSITION NEEDS NEW LEADERSHIP

According to circus authorities, the elephant experiences the reproduction urge only once every four years.

So many preliminary activities are engaged in by the male pachyderm such as preparing the love nest, selecting and rejecting various sites, instigating fights with competitors in order to impress his lady love and resorting to other time-killing devices that the feminine party to the transaction often appears to become disgusted, calmly walks away and calls the whole thing off, thus entailing another four-year waiting period.

Such stalling and delaying tactics are recognized as orderly procedure in the animal kingdom since nature seems to have "planned it that way".

When it comes to human behavior in regard to affairs of government, however, the policy of becoming aroused only once every four years has proved disastrous and has constituted a definite disservice to any intelligent and effective movement to curb the evil forces in Washington which are responsible for the current tragic State of the Union.

In the South, certain groups have organized to oppose the New Deal and Fair Deal and every four years, they hold meetings, make speeches, pass resolutions, pat one another on the back, tell each other how good they are, contribute loud and boisterous lip service to the cause and then go home and sit it out until the next campaign.

They conduct the organization along the same lines as their private business concerns and take it on themselves to decide who is, and who is not, qualified to take part in the movement to bring about a return to Constitutional government.

Not having the faintest idea themselves of what they intend to do, or how they should go about it, they have completely lost sight of their original goal in their strenuous efforts to impede the progress of those who have a clearer understanding and more intelligent conception of a comprehensive and overall program in the South.

The movement has become clogged down with too many men who have nothing whatever to offer except money and who do not possess the discriminating judgment to enable them to use that intelligently.

The equity in a discussion of good government is not vested exclusively in a bunch of millionaires, nor a group of labor union labor leaders, but belongs to the rank and file of the people and the job of good citizenship is one which must be worked at three hundred and sixty five days a year, if definite results are to be achieved.

We think that the organization which Judge E. E. Townes of Houston is setting up will prove to be an effective rallying point for the forces opposed to radicalism in the South but, in the meantime, in the absence of any clearly defined program on the part of former groups who have set themselves up to lead the forces opposed to the Fair Deal, the citizens themselves acting as individuals should become active on their own initiative for there is much to be done.

Since the presidential election is more than two years away and the Congressional and Senatorial campaigns only a few weeks off, the practical steps to be taken by citizens of Southern States at this time should be to enlist support of all their friends and acquaintances for the Southern Congressmen in their State who have been marked down on the CIO blacklist for their vote against radical labor practices. This should also be done in the case of the four Southern senators who are on CIO's blacklist for the same reason.

AMONG OUR EXCHANGES

(W. D. Tutt's column in Elberton, Georgia, Star)

"John H. Maxwell, an Elberton boy, in his salad days, took up residence in Texas and, with nothing but the energy, courage and opportunity which are the priceless heritage of every rugged American, achieved a remarkable success in the business world.

"To him, I am indebted for copies of the Southern Conservative a most intriguing periodical published at Fort Worth, Texas, and edited by a modern Minerva, Ida M. Darden, in which she mercilessly exposes the Communistic trend of the tragic Truman administration.

"The gifted editor of this paper, a truly gallant lady, writes with the facility and power of a Carlyle and employs with devastating effect the powerful weapons of ridicule and satire to emphasize her contempt for the vicious politicians who are wilfully leading the country astray for the sordid purpose of retaining their hold on the seats of the mighty.

"She sounds a timely tocsin to those who are thoughtlessly bartering their birthrights for miserable messes of government potage.

"Because I am deeply impressed by her inspired message, I am using my column today to give wider publicity to a heroic declaration of the immutable principles for which she steadfastly stands."

The column reproduced the Declaration of Principles of the Southern Conservative which appeared in the January edition and which is reproduced elsewhere in this issue of the paper.

(From "Tex" Rogers' Column in Union Banner, Ft. Worth)

Mrs. Ida M. Darden, formerly of Austin and one of the smartest women ever to take a dish in Texas politics, has established a newspaper in Cowtown which she has named The Southern Conservative, devoted to pleading for "a return to Constitutional Government." The Lawd knows that's something that not only Texas, but the whole country most sorely needs. We have a hunch that Sister Darden soon will have a lot of political scalawags hunting for the tall bulrushes.

Ida Darden says the Yankee stays at home and tends his own business while the Dam Yankee heads for the South and starts agitating for racial equality. But she fails to classify the lazy so-and-sos in states like Texas who insist that folks who work and save should support the others in affluence and ease.

Natural laws cannot be annulled by statute, and gravity still works, regardless of the airplane. Those willing to work and produce cannot go on supporting those who will not.

There is no longer any such thing as a Democratic Party or a Republican Party in the sense that such parties were set up by their founders under differing, but definite, principles. There is a group of good Americans in both Houses of Congress and it is composed of sound-thinking conservative members of both the Republican and Democratic parties. On the other hand there are party hybrids calling themselves Liberal Democrats and Progressive Republicans who belong in neither party and who should have the courage to openly affiliate with the group where their ideological loyalty lies. In this way the two major parties could be cleaned up and restored to usefulness and the full strength of the Communist Party could then be openly appraised and accepted, or rejected, at the polls.

DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES OF THE SOUTHERN CONSERVATIVE

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 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

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 Gourthead 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.

TRUMAN HAD RATHER BE PRESIDENT THAN RIGHT

Once again Harry S. Truman has demonstrated that he regards himself as a supreme ruler of the U.S.A. with authority above and beyond that delegated to him by the Constitution.

Supercharged with egotism and bursting with conceit, he has defied a Committee of the United States Senate and deliberately circumvented its efforts to protect the interests of this country against alleged subversive forces nesting in the Department of State.

The age-old tradition that an elected official is the servant and not the master of the taxpayers has been brushed off along with almost every other fundamental principle by which this nation has grown great and prospered to such an extent that it is able to pay a king's ransom as salary to its chief executive.

His decision to protect the reputation of his administrative officials regardless of any dangerous and unwholesome condition prevailing in any department of government and his refusal to allow loyalty records of persons suspected by an investigating committee to be inspected is no surprise to those who have watched his head gradually swell to gargantuan proportions and who have become accustomed to his dictatorial and high-handed policies.

The fact that foreign governments who are hostile to this country are alleged to have connections and valuable pipelines within the State Department, is obviously considered of small concern by the president who seeks only to keep his political fences in repair against the Congressional elections next Fall and his nomination by his Party in 1952.

And so the little man of destiny who but for the grace of God and a lucky turn of the wheel of fortune might today be playing the piano in one of Pendergast's places in St. Louis has once again recanted his pledge to the people of this country, repudiated his sworn oath of office and put his own personal interests above those of the United States.

It Looks Like We Are Stuck With 'My Night'

The volume of mail demanding that we continue to run a column devoted to "My Night" increases each day and many of the writers practically threaten to blow us off the face of the earth, or at least to put ground glass in our shrimp salad, if we entertain any idea of abandoning it.

Several cynical readers have even suggested that it is the best feature in our paper and that it will be productive of more good than all the rest of our efforts put together.

Oh well, after all, since the reading public has become accustomed during the past several years to being regaled with the intimate and personal doings of famous and fast-stepping ladies of current history during their every daytime hour, perhaps it is only natural that they should be curious about what gives with us unknown and slow-moving dames after the sun goes down.

And so we yield to the wishes of our readers in this matter and will carry on to the best of our ability but in our personal opinion, it is a lot of tripe equalled in inanity, vacuity and mental emptiness only by the column of which it purports to be a take-off.

Have You a Little Inside Toilet In Your Home?

The job of taking a census of the people in what is supposed to be a Constitutional Republic should be a very simple and uncomplicated procedure and something for which no one need apologize and certainly not the president of the United States.

But in the case of the present enumeration of the population, it has been necessary for Harry S. Truman to publicly explain the reason for the unheard of number of preposterous queries put to the taxpayers under the guise of taking the census and to assure them that their answers would be kept in confidence and not used against them.

It has been reported that there are a total of three hundred and thirty-three separate questions propounded to the various types of citizens when a dozen at the most would have been sufficient and would have given the enumerator all necessary information and all to which government agencies are entitled in a procedure of this kind, except in countries behind the iron curtain where every person is card-indexed and a complete record of his most personal and intimate activities is kept on file.

But the wind-jamming heads of bureaus in Washington who have never been known to let one plain, common word suffice when they could work in a couple of hundred fancy ones, have really gone to town when given their head on asking questions.

Particular stress seems to have been laid on the matter of finding out whether or not everybody has an inside toilet, leaving the inference that if they haven't, some sort of Commission or Privy Council will be set up composed of members of the Plumbers' Union to look into the situation and make proper recommendations to Congress for remedial legislation.

As to the president's assurance that all information will be kept in strict confidence and not used for any other purposes than those connected with an intelligent and comprehensive listing of the population, our well considered opinion and reaction to this promise, after carefully deliberating it from every angle and taking into consideration all possibilities offered by the situation is:

"Phooey".

President Seeks To Cure "Grave Economic Injustice"

Added security to a large segment of American citizens in their right to loaf is expected to result if Congress complies with a special message by the President to Congress recently and which achieved emergency status when it was rushed by special government courier plane from the President's winter home in Florida to the nation's capital.

Pointing out that weekly benefits to the unemployed under the present law are "not enough to preserve a minimum standard of living" the President requested Congress to pass supplemental legislation increasing the payments to a large and formidable new class of the nation's population.

Sternly reminding the lawmakers that not everybody who doesn't work is being paid for it, he demanded that this grave injustice and discrimination be partly corrected by the addition of 6,000,000 more names to the eligible list for unemployment compensation.

Non-working dependents of non-working citizens also came in for their share of consideration with a recommendation by the Chief Executive that additional money be allotted to them.

The President's comprehensive under-

WE DON'T HAVE ENOUGH BYRDS IN CONGRESS

Senator Harry F. Byrd of Virginia who watches carefully the nation's finances and constantly makes recommendations designed to reduce reckless spending of taxpayers' money and at the same time preserve national security, seems to get very little cooperation from his colleagues of either party in his economy efforts.

In contrast to the extravagant and ill-considered request of the President for a \$42,400,000,000 budget, Senator Byrd worked out one of his own showing that a \$36,000,000,000 budget could be adopted without impairing the efficiency of the nation in any respect, thereby saving \$6,400,000,000 which is only a little less than it required to run the entire government for a year in 1920.

But the majority of the members of Congress will probably prefer to go along with "Haber-dasher Harry" in his mad and reckless squandering of the nation's resources and substance.

There is little use to complain, however, so long as politicians have an unrestrained license to steal from taxpayers which is exactly the privilege they enjoy under the Sixteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

No one man nor small group of men in Congress can prevent the legal looting of the public purse by the political thieves in Washington now operating an organized racket of such gargantuan proportions as to make Al Capone's, in retrospect, resemble a neighborhood gang of street urchins.

This amendment should be completely repealed and no other substituted since it is not within the function nor power of the Federal government to levy a direct tax according to the intent of the makers of the Constitution.

However, since the Federal government has entered into activities and projects from which there is no turning back, it would probably be impossible to secure repeal of the amendment without substituting another, but at least the amount of the loot which they can make off with should be specified by placing a ceiling on tax levies from this source.

In the meantime what the country needs more desperately than anything else is more Byrds in Congress.

ADA Members Oppose Communism. O, Yeah?

The Americans for Democratic Action who have no sympathy whatever for Communism and who rush to the defense of indicted Communists just for the exercise, opened their recent session in Washington with a blast at members of the Senate Investigating Committee which is seeking—against strenuous opposition by the president and administration officials—to rid the various departments of government of the followers of Stalin.

The members of this group may not be actual members of the party but in the matter of rendering service to the cause by advocating identical policies, they'll do until some real Communists come along.

standing of the subject was attested by his statesmanlike argument that the inadequacy of payments by the government to unemployed was forcefully demonstrated in 1949 when 2,000,000 participants in the program spent all their benefits before the next payment was due, proving conclusively that they were not receiving the amounts of money to which they were entitled.

Obviously when a person spends all his money it is a sure sign he is not making enough and it is clearly the responsibility of Congress to do something about it under our form of government, as currently interpreted.

This masterly argument is expected to weigh heavily with a large Liberal group in Congress who recognize that in our complex modern economy, the general welfare demands that leisure be the recipient of a government subsidy, as well as potatoes and hen eggs, if we are to maintain our leadership as a world power.

CONSTITUTIONAL GOVERNMENT GROUP SET UP IN HOUSTON

An organization to be known as "Americans for Constitutional Government" has been set up in Houston with Judge E. E. Townes of that city as Chairman.

With the launching of this new activity under sound leadership it is believed that forces in Texas and other Southern States opposed to radicalism will be able to get together and formulate a clear and comprehensive program to combat it. Such a program has been lacking in the past.

While the new organization is limited to Texas, it is expected that similar groups will be set up in all other States of the South and that by working together, the group may exert a tremendous influence within the different political parties.

It is made clear by Judge Townes that the organization is strictly non-partisan and that it will not engage in any particular race or campaign but will use its influence to try to assure that every candidate for office, regardless of the political party to which he belongs is a believer in the Constitution and the limitations and restrictions which it imposes.

Judge Townes, member of a family prominent in the educational and cultural history of Texas for generations, is widely known throughout the South for his devotion to sound principles of government, as an advocate of Constitutional government and for his consistent opposition to the current radical trend in the national administration.

The purposes and aims of the organization are described by Judge Townes as follows:

"A non-partisan, non-sectarian, non-profit association of patriotic citizens for the defense of our Constitutional government and the preservation of individual liberty, personal initiative, free enterprise, and the American way of life. We believe in a minimum of government and governmental interference and a maximum of individual unhindered freedom."

"We are opposed to autocratic supremacy of government over the individual, whether concealed under the counterfeit names of New Deal, Fair Deal, Welfare State, or frankly described as Socialism, Communism or other form of Statism."

"We are opposed to the so-called Truman civil rights program, socialized medicine, confiscation of the tidelands and similar unconstitutional efforts."

"We are opposed to Government in business (always at a loss of our money); to its unfair competition with private enterprise; and to its donating the taxpayers' money to political pets and idlers."

I'm sittin' on the levee
And as far as I can see
There's steamboats on the river
Humming past the willow tree.

Rufus is cuttin' cord wood
Uncle Sammy's stringin' bait
And Caroline's a yellin'
As the chickens slip the gate.

The boss man's heavin' bellows
At the field hands in the cane,
The mill whistle is a high note
Amid this loud refrain.

It comes to me while sittin'
How lucky a man can be
Just a idlin' in the sun
On his Social Security.

Evans J. Casso,
New Orleans, Louisiana.

R. M. Semmes of Seattle, Washington, who gives the Southern Conservative much encouragement and many good ideas says: "It is a proven fact that the most effective and dreaded weapon in politics is ridicule. Abuse and even proof of dishonesty may be ignored but get the people laughing at a public official or a candidate and he is through."