

Power Politics

America has for a long time been playing the game of power politics. It has been playing throughout this century, and is currently playing it at a time when power politics is out of date.

Historically the device was most effective in the 19th century. The British used it to their advantage, as it balanced country against country in Europe in order that a balance of power was created, and Great Britain was in position to call the plays. Under this Britain flourished, and an Empire was born and extended.

The British were skilled at keeping that balance and preserving the peace, but eventually war broke out and the balance had to be reconstructed. No one wins a war, but Great Britain kept itself on the winning side, and still were in a position to call the balance after the war.

However, modern communications and implements of war spelled the end of power politics as a successful means of diplomacy.

The first World War was won by the allies, but the real loser was Great Britain. In subsequent years, it saw its great empire dismembered, not by outside forces, but by internal turmoil. Its policy of colonialism which had sustained the empire so long was proving inadequate to meet the modern situation. A balance of power was no longer capable in Europe, for not only was Great Britain in a position where it could not control affairs, but also there were other factors to be reckoned with both east and west.

America, after its period of isolation in the twenties, took up the game as did the new Soviet Union. Each was pursuing the game to its own advantage on both sides of a country that was pursuing the game more recklessly to its advantage - Germany. Japan joined in, and England took a subordinate role to the United States, and yet, the game worked to the advantage of none.

World War II came and brought death and destruction to almost all, and victory to no one. Temporary advantage was given to Russia, and long range advantage was bestowed on China, but nobody won, and the people of the world lost.

At the end of all the turmoil in the second world war, there came an event which changes the shape of world politics permanently. On the sands of Manzanillo, New Mexico a group of scientists watched patiently as a brilliant flash burst over the horizon, and a fireball grew and waned into a mushroom cloud. Soon, the same weapon was exploded over Hiroshima and Nagasaki, and a new age was started.

The atomic age brought with it the potentiality of instant destruction, no matter how large the nation was that dropped the bomb. Within a few years, it became a matter of twenty minutes that a hemisphere could be negotiated by guided missile and the countries in between didn't matter any more.

In the atom-space age, the United States has continued to play the game of power politics. It has continued to sacrifice its principles for the sake of retaining allies and a power balance. It has continued to lose effectiveness in this world of mid-20th century.

A quick glance at the world situation today will indicate how great the United States' losses have been.

There are six livable continents, Europe is divided between Russia on the one hand and the Western powers on the other. In the twelve years following the war, the United States' foreign policy has extended Russian domination throughout Eastern Europe and has shown to these people that there is no hope for freedom from enslavement. In the United States, such freedom loving peoples as Sweden and Norway have found that the pretense of freedom the United States offers is merely a pretense, and are currently being swept away, by the lack of principles of the United States. Other countries are moving in one direction or another away from democracy, at least partly due to the example the United States offers as the democratic leader.

In Africa, there is a consistent under current of struggle for independence from colonial domination, which threatens to alienate the whole continent from Capetown to Algiers from the democratic side, spurred by the undemocratic colonialistic policies of the Western powers, and the fact support of the United States.

The Middle East is in turmoil, and from Morocco to Pakistan strong anti-western movements are springing up, and threatened consolidation of the area against the United States and the west may soon become a reality, unless the United States changes policy quickly.

Russia dominates the northern part of Asia and Communist China seals off the Eastern wall. In the middle, India, Indonesia, and Malaya have evidenced great distaste for the

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The World News In Review

Ed Rowland

This week the world has somewhat fewer crises to upset the balance of power than in recent weeks, but the total picture is not much improved.

The biggest news was the death of Pope Pius XII, who was called the "Pope of Peace" for 19 years, at his summer castle alongside Lake Albano, Italy. His death Wednesday night came as the result of two strokes that developed into a grave heart and lung condition.

The Pontiff was 82 years old.

The new Pope will be designated by the College of Cardinals in an election expected to be held at the Vatican within the next two or three weeks—after a nine day period of mourning.

All the Popes for the last 400 years have come from Italy. The feeling at the Vatican has been that this will likely be the case again even though Italians no longer command a majority in the College of Cardinals.

Embassies and legations of about 50 nations accredited to the Vatican were immediately notified of the Pope's death. So were Cardinals throughout the world who must come for the conclave to elect the new Pope.

Directed by Dean, French-born Eugene Cardinal Tisserant, Cardinals will gather as soon as possible to arrange for the "interregnum," the period between the death of the Pope to the election of a new Pontiff.

One of their first tasks will be to arrange for the nine-day period of solemn mourning that will be followed by burial in the Vatican grotto. The Pope's sepulchre will be near the spot where church records say St. Peter, considered by Roman Catholics as the first Pope, was buried.

In the Far East clash between Nationalist and Red Chinese over Quemoy and Matsu the end of the seven-day cease-fire period the Reds inaugurated drew near with no real signs it would be extended. The shelling will probably begin once more Monday.

The Red offer was made on condition the U. S. quit escorting Nationalist vessels to within the three-mile limit off the islands. But with caution the State Department said they would stop only if the firing stopped first—which took place—and what the U. S. did in international waters was its own business.

Sec. of State Dulles told reporters, "Worldwide condemnation of the Communists will be assured if they again resume the fighting." However, he and the State Dept. also said they recognized the political implications of the Red offer and would not knuckle under to any compromising demands.

In another development in Asia the corrupt government of Pakistan was overthrown in a one-day



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bloodless revolt Tuesday and the citizens of that country looked forward to better days. In the streets of Karachi prices immediately dropped, the blackmarket went out of business and the new leader declared an end to anarchy.

In the United States a private school corporation in Little Rock announced plans to operate high schools for white children in private buildings. The schools would be financed by private donations.

The announcement came shortly after a federal court ban on operation of four Little Rock high schools as private, segregated institutions was extended until a new hearing.

Meanwhile, Federal and state authorities looked for clues to the identity of the dynamiters who wrecked the Clinton, Tenn., high school Sunday. No progress has been reported.

Thursday the 850 white and 11 Negro pupils of the school began classes in a vacated building in nearby Oak Ridge offered by the AEC. The 25-room school will be used until the Clinton school is rebuilt. Anderson County officials have consulted with top White House aides in an effort to get Federal aid in rebuilding the totally-wrecked school. It was not announced exactly what the group discussed, neither was it announced what results, if any, were obtained.

Later in the week a Federal judge knocked one more prop from beneath the segregationists' plans for circumvention of court rulings by declaring that Virginia teachers may not work in private se-

gregated schools as long as they are paid by the state.

The judge declined to order the

On Clinton Joe John

It was a murky Sunday morning. Only the earliest of risers had begun to stir. Then, suddenly, three explosions rocked the little town. The treacherous silence had been broken.

At 4:21, integrated Clinton High School was ravaged by a successive series of dynamite blasts. The irrepressible monster Violence had appeared again. To use an old cliché, this blast will be heard 'round the nation, if not around the world.

The integrity and sincerity of the South has again been damaged by the actions of an inane few. That the bombers were financed, and their work planned, by one of the lunatic fringe extremist agencies, such as supported rabbling-rousing John Casper, cannot be doubted.

Once a scene of integration disturbance, the little Tennessee town had met its problem manfully. Not a single incident marred the orderly opening of the school. Such peaceful organization tried the endurance of the fanatics. Their reaction was characteristically odious.

In throwing state-wide law enforcement bodies into efforts for immediate apprehension of the criminals, Gov. Frank Clement said the choice was one of education by democratic means or by dynamite. He could not have been more correct. The entire South will reverberate from this action, and its effect will not be short.

Possibly four states have made the dubious decision of closing their public schools when and if presented with a court order. This right is inherent in their liberties. The federal government cannot and will not interfere.

Tennessee was not one of these states. But are they to be denied the same freedom of choice granted to those of a different bent? Violence at Clinton precipitated the entire present educational crisis by forcing immediate court decisions which should not have come for some years. This was the result of the mobs.

The South has now fallen from any sympathy they may have had from persons opposed to a tyrannical court. National opinion has shifted to the nine men in black.

Congress, too, cannot support mobs and bombs. It will assuredly do nothing to curb the court. Rather, it may strengthen its policies through legislation.

I am certain that the greatest majority of American people support the law and wish to act within it. Schools may be open or kept closed—legally. The choice is offered to the individual states concerned.

Whatever this decision, however, and no matter what attitude toward segregation is maintained, anarchy and defiance of the law must not be condoned.

-C. L.

Republicans would be retained if the Democrats retained leadership in Congress.

Vice-president Nixon accused the Soviet government of ordering the Moscow CBS bureau closed because it feared the truth. Earlier in the week the Russian ambassador had protested a CBS telecast of a play, "The Plot to Kill Stalin," saying it was distorted and strained relations between the U. S. and Russia. Later the Russians ordered the CBS bureau to close.

"In my opinion," Nixon said, "far more than war, far more than our armies and far more than us and our free world allies, the leaders of the Soviet government fear the truth."

President Eisenhower settled down for a long weekend at his mountaintop resort, Camp David, to consult with leaders in preparation for a long political campaign and to celebrate his 68th birthday. The celebration is premature, since the President's birthday is Tuesday.

He left on the trip after a check-up at Walter Reed Hospital pronounced him in excellent health, even after his three major illnesses suffered while in office. He left the hospital and went to Burning Tree Club for a round of golf in beautiful autumn weather.

Later, Republican leaders said after a conference with the President that continued Democratic control of Congress would take the nation down the left lane which leads inevitably to socialism.

Republican national chairman Meade Aleron made the statement. He said Eisenhower is in a "real fighting mood" and is all set to help the party to the utmost in the fall campaign.

This week also the President named Judge Stewart Potter of Cincinnati to be an associate justice on the Supreme Court after Justice Burton stepped down. He had held a post on the U. S. Court of Appeals for six years. The appointment runs the list of Eisenhower appointees to five on the Court.

Freedom

Editor: News item in Tuesday's DTH... The IFC voted last night to allow Pringle Pipkin, Daily Tar Heel Reporter, to cover the meeting of the Council... Editorial in Sunday's DTH... The medium of the press should be open to the public, but should not be subject to the dictates of the public."

Thanks should be extended to the IFC for "voting to allow" a DTH reporter to cover its meetings. It appears that the IFC is doing the DTH a great favor.

Does this mean the IFC is dictating to the press when a meeting can be covered and by whom it can be covered? Since when did the IFC assume the role of determining the public's right to know?

George Hord Parker Maddrey

Pip's Quips Pringle Pipkin

The revision on committee of the Election Board has been considering some important changes in the rules concerning class officers.

With the exception of president, the officers of the Freshman, Sophomore, and Junior classes will no longer be positions. The Seniors will elect five class officers.

This change is certainly a needed one. With the enlargement of the University the class as a unit has lost its effectiveness.

With the abolishment of hazing — a very sensible and mature action — students have become much less aware of their class.

The interests of the students have become more diverse, and the living quarters are now more widely separated.

The legislative power of the students has been delegated to the Student Legislature. The shift left the class officers with virtually no power.

It is doubtful, if many students can name more than two of their class officers. They don't make news — I intend no slur upon the present class officers; there is simply very little they are authorized to do.

As the present system now stands the class officers are sometimes used to reward the party faithful. There are several serious drawbacks to having these class officers with the exception of president.

The campus political parties nominate capable men and coeds to run for class officers. These people, if interested, could be used in more important positions on student government committees.

The campus political parties spend much of their time before elections nominating class officers. Sometimes the battles for a nomination are fought with more ardor than those for seats in the Student Legislature.

The election of these class officers adds to the election Board's burden and helps to confuse the voter.

The exception to what I say comes from the class officers of the senior class. These officers have to plan for class day in the spring.

The presidents of the classes may at some time have to serve at some official function. There is rarely an occasion when more than one representative might be needed.

It is time this archaic system was changed to a more efficient system.

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policies of the United States, and support of these countries becomes less and less certain.

Indo-China has been in turmoil, and Japan has currently been pressing the United States for its restrictive policy with respect to trade with Communist China. Indeed, the only firm ally the United States has in this area is Nationalist China, who sees through the maze of unreality the hope of returning to the mainland.

Australia for what it is, worth is solidly behind Great Britain, and hence fairly solidly behind the United States, but its value is limited.

South America and Canada have been solidly behind the United States, but rumblings of unrest, such as those occasioned by Vice-President Nixon's South American tour, evidence the lack of solidity in that area.

Obviously, the situation looks unfavorable, and it will look worse as long as the United States is dishonest with itself as well as with other nations.

It will be bad as long as the United States makes commitments which are inconsistent with its own principles, and consequently cannot be kept.

It is high time that the United States awakened to the fact that the world is growing smaller, that a war can be begun and terminated without another nation having brought into the conflict except the two promulgators of the conflict, and that this war can bring total destruction on the world.

It is high time also that the United States realized that the respect of all nations can bring more pressure to bear on the political situation, than can any alliance system built on the balance of power. The Russians have realized this and have used this to great insight to undercut the United States in everything it does. They have been successful, for they have sounded as if they were on the side of principle while the United States was on the side of expediency, and the further America compromises itself the farther down it will go in the eyes of the nations of the world. The chances then will be great that Russia will be able to start a conflict that will be a popular war, a chance which it did not have after World War II, and indeed does not have now.

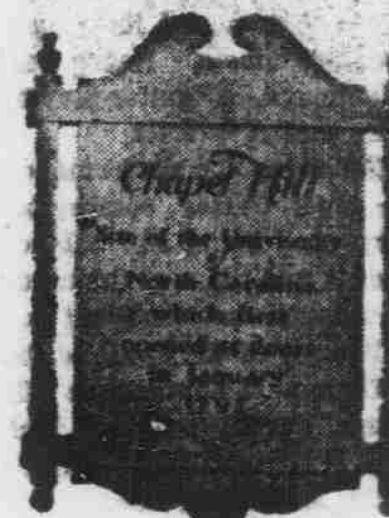
The United States has fired many missiles, including the one yesterday that may or may not hit the moon. In most cases the missiles have not hit their targets or have misfired at the start.

The element of preparation, of a world view, of intelligent planning has not been there in foreign policy heretofore. It can only be hoped that the United States will make sure every detail is checked, and correct aim is taken before it launches foreign policy again. It may even be too late.

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