

SENATOR SAM ERVIN SAYS



Washington — During the past week I had the pleasant opportunity of talking to the Ruritan Club at Williamston and then going to Chapel Hill and Durham for the annual mid-winter meeting of the North Carolina Press Association. Mr. Henry Dennis of Henderson is now head of the Association, following a long line of other distinguished presidents. I always look forward to this meeting and the opportunity to get the personal views of newspaper publishers, editors and their associates, and to assimilate some of the enthusiasm for their work which they possess in abundance.

Capable Newsmen

One cannot escape the conclusion that we are blessed with very capable people in the newspaper field. They are not confined to the large dailies. On the contrary, non-dailies provide a very accomplished group of newsmen and news-women.

The University of North Carolina and Duke University provide a very helpful and appropriate setting for the mid-winter meetings. I am impressed each year with the quality of the program and discussion groups. This year's speaker was Congressman Brooks Hays of Arkansas, a distinguished statesman and religious leader.

Those of us in public life in North Carolina owe a great deal to the press. They keep our service records exposed to public view and help us in getting the views of our constituents and the needs facing our people. I am fortunate in that the times in my public career that editors have disagreed with my position on a matter our relationship has been cordial. That is typical of North Carolina journalism.

The rising cost of doing business has hit the large publisher as well as the small. It is a discouraging thought that the toll of these unfortunate circumstances might be the death of any newspaper in our State. They are truly a part of all of us and the very sinew of an informed people.

Press Ethics

In my home town I have witnessed the work of one of the prominent publishers of North Carolina. Of course, I refer to Miss Beatrice Cobb of Morganton whose life has been devoted to the community and section she serves by the type of journalism that is generally recognized as conveying her strong ethical convictions while standing firm on her editorial beliefs.

Source Of History

I have had a life-long interest in local history. This being so, I have often found it necessary to check the dusty files of old news-

papers as one of the best sources of recorded history. Perhaps there are today many newspaper writers who do not fully appreciate the contribution they are making to future generations by carefully putting down today's history factually without bias, leaving the editorial page as the place for opinion and personal convictions.

Realizing the privilege that is mine to give a report of my doings in the Senate of the United States, I have been very careful to devote considerable effort to my weekly column so as to make it worthy of space in the press. There has been no effort to withhold my views on important matters, believing as I do that the right of the people to know is a vital part of our freedom.

Perhaps these words will suffice to tell you why I always enjoy the opportunity to be with the press of North Carolina and why I always sorrow whenever I learn of the death of a member of its able corps.

Without our newspapers North Carolina's future would be bleak and dismal beyond comprehension.

Weekly Devotional Column

By JAMES MacKENZIE

For some time now the churches of America have been sounding the alarm of the Communist threat to our security. The Roman Catholic Church, for example, has been outspoken in its warnings, and so has the Protestant American Council of Christian Churches. Though the danger appears to have subsided, no one who is devoted to our American system will underestimate the Communist menace.

Appearing before the House un-American Committee recently, Dr. Frederick Schwartz of Long Beach, California, a Baptist lay-preacher, director of the Christian anti-Communist Crusade, and a leading authority on basic Communist philosophy, spoke words that should be read and studied by every American who loves his country. Said Dr. Schwartz, "The ideology of communism is applied Godless materialism. The entire philosophy of communism is based on three premises:

1. 'There is no God'. They are proudly, unashamedly atheistic in theory and practice. When they deny God, they simultaneously deny every virtue and every value that originates with God. They deny moral law. They deny absolute standards of truth and righteousness. An entire civiliz-

ed code of moral and ethical values is destroyed, and they are free to erect in their place new moral and ethical standards as the occasion demands.

2. The second premise of communism is that man is a material machine. He is matter in motion, and nothing more. Man is a body, and he is completely describable in terms of the laws of chemistry and physics. Man has no soul, no spirit, no significant individual value, no continuity of life. He is entirely an evolutionary product, the specie homo sapiens, and subject to modification, adaptation and transformation by the applied, established laws of animal husbandry. Says William Foster, chairman of the American Communist Party, "Henceforth, the evolution of human species must be done artificially, by the conscious action of man himself." The theory of evolution, which is no longer accepted by leading scientists, as it contradicts Mendel's law, is the basic premise on which communism is built.

3. The third premise of communism is economic determinism. Communism teaches that the qualities of human intelligence, personality, emotional and religious life, merely reflect the economic environment; that in the last analysis what we think, how we feel, what we believe, whom we love, whom we worship, is simply an expression of the environment in which we are raised; and that since that environment is primarily concerned with economic forces, man is a determined economic being."

Next week's column will present more of Dr. Schwartz's testimony.

NO COMMENT

By JAMES W. DOUTRAT

Washington — The optimistic nature of the Eisenhower Administration's economic forecast for the nation—coupled with Mr. Eisenhower's advocacy of reducing spending where feasible—provides a degree of encouragement

for tax-reduction advocates.

There are a number of members of Congress, however, who discount the Administration's rosy economic predictions. To these Congressmen, tax-cut advocates contend their program would stimulate the economy that an upturn would be materially hastened.

Mr. Eisenhower, in his annual economic report to Congress, said there are grounds for expecting that in 1958 "economic growth can be resumed without extended interruption."

As for the longer perspective, he said there are "good grounds for confidence that a vigorous expansion of our economy can be sustained over the years."

Expansion of the economy is the basis of the Sadlak-Herlong bill, which would lower personal and corporation income tax rates to a maximum of 42% by a series of annual reductions spread over five years.

Cost of the legislation in lower revenue would be only \$1 billion for the first fiscal year—and \$3 billion for each of the succeeding four years.

Since 1946, Mr. Eisenhower's economic report pointed out, the nation's economic growth has expanded at an average rate of 3.5% a year.

With economic growth forecast for the future, many members of Congress say that tax reduction should be voted now to further strengthen the economy.

Moves to cut taxes also would receive encouragement if Congress cooperates with Mr. Eisenhower's effort to cut spending in certain categories.

He has urged Congress to cooperate in reducing expenditures on less essential military programs and installations, postponing some new civilian programs, transferring some to the states, and curtailing or eliminating others.

Industry long has been advocating retrenchment in government spending. Its recommendations, in general, have been along these lines:

1. Do not inaugurate new programs in areas in appropriate for Federal action—such as grants for school construction; assistance for education beyond high school;

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GEORGE EDWARD COLE

A complaint was filed before a United States Commissioner at San Francisco, Calif., on January 9, 1957, charging George Edward Cole with violation of the Unlawful Flight to Avoid Prosecution Statute in that he fled from the State of California to avoid prosecution after allegedly murdering a police officer.

Cole is described as follows: Born, March 24, 1927, Philadelphia, Pa. Height, 6 feet 1 inch. Weight, 160 to 175 pounds. Build, medium. Hair, brown, receding. Eyes, brown. Complexion, medium. Race, white. Nationality, American. Occupations: bus driver, truck driver, typist. Scars and marks: pit scar on outside corner of right eye, small cut scar on inside of left wrist, appendectomy scar; tattoo, small heart and names, "Mom" and "Dad" and letters "GP" or "SP" on left forearm; tattoo, 8-point star on back of left hand. He wears full upper denture.

Cole has previously been convicted of grand larceny and robbery. He reportedly has stated that he will shoot any police officer attempting to apprehend him. Cole is considered armed and dangerous.

Any person having information which might assist in locating this fugitive is requested to immediately notify the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, Washington 25, D. C., or the Special Agent in Charge of the nearest FBI Division, the telephone number of which appears on the first page of local telephone directories.

prevention or juvenile delinquency; social service research; the training of social welfare personnel; various health projects; industrial safety programs.

2. Terminate Federal participation in programs which should be shouldered by other levels of government or through private channels—such as, vocation education and rehabilitation; construction, maintenance, and operation of schools in "federally affected" areas; various grant-in-aid programs in the field of public health and welfare; waste treatment and water pollution; low-rent housing subsidies; urban planning and renewal; college housing loans; aid to local airports; aids for area economic development.

3. Restrict scope and participation in similar programs where the aim is ultimate termination—such as the several public assist-

ance programs; construction of hospital and health facilities; slum clearance; domestic lending and guaranteeing program. And curtailment of various other programs, notably soil and agricultural conservation.

Needless to say, the Big Spenders already have launched a counter-offensive against Mr. Eisenhower's economy recommendations. They contend that the welfare and do-good programs not only must be maintained—but must be increased—while at the same time the nation is boosting defense spending substantially.

Support for economy comes from veteran budget pruners on Capitol Hill, who say that the budget chiefs in the various government bureaus and departments usually put a little fat in their spending requests—with the expectation that Congress will cut some of it off while acting on the appropriation bills.

In the opinion of the Congressional economy bloc, there is no budget that cannot be cut—and this year is no exception.

CENTER HILL CLUB MEETS

The Center Hill Local 4-H Club met on Tuesday night, January 21 with Emmett Jones, Jr., as host.

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The meeting was opened with a short devotional led by Emmett. Nine members answered to the roll call and the usual order of business was carried out.

During the discussion period records, books and demonstrations were discussed. Many members

plan to give demonstrations. After the meeting was adjourned delicious refreshments were served.

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